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WASHINGTON.

Government Receipts, Actual and Prospective.

PINCHBACK'S CASE IN CAUCUS.

Action on Louisiana Disturbances Doubtful.

THE SENATE FINANCE BILL.

Its Passage by the House Considered Certain.

IRWIN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Improvement of Postal Arrangements with Railroads.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23, 1874.

Internal Revenue and Customs Receipts.

The internal revenue receipts for December will reach eight and one-half millions, and the aggregate for the first six months of the fiscal year, upwards of fifty-two millions. The estimated receipts are one hundred and seven millions for the year, with the special taxes coming in in April, May and June. The Commissioner feels confident of the receipts reaching his estimate. In the customs receipts there will be a decline of one million during the first six months of this year, as compared with those of the same months last year. The coin amount will reach seventy-nine millions.

Pinchback and Louisiana.

The Republican caucus of this morning was devoted to Louisiana affairs. The question of the admission of Pinchback was not favorably received, but in the way of a compromise Senator Morton was permitted to report a resolution to the Senate. This, however, does not commit the Senate, as there are important questions involved upon which Republican Senators are by no means of one mind. It is safe to say that Pinchback has no chance of being declared elected to a seat in the Senate, and it is extremely doubtful whether any positive action will be taken to remedy the distractions in Louisiana. A great many Senators are opposed to an unqualified recognition of the Kellogg government. The resolution cannot come up before the middle of January.

The Senate Finance Bill.

The prompt action of the Senate upon the new Finance bill is having a good effect. Though it is not precisely what is wanted by either branch of the financial parties in the Senate, it is satisfactory as being a measure upon which both wings of the Republican party can stand. The conversation of leading Representatives indicates an equally prompt passage in the House, and that it will receive very nearly a party vote. Secretary Bristow, speaking of the Finance bill to-day, said that it was not what the Department desired, but that it would answer better than nothing.

Postal Improvements.

The labors of the Congressional appropriation committees in the Postoffice Department, promise beneficial results in bringing about more satisfactory arrangements with the railroads and in reducing the enormous deficiency in the department. The Postmaster General has been in frequent consultation with the committees, and is making every effort to effect many much needed reforms in his Department.

Irwin, the Silent.

Mr. Irwin is still so ill that no attempt was made to bring him before the bar of the House to-day. During the holiday recess he will remain in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms. The question was raised in the Committee on Ways and Means to-day, whether, if Mr. Irwin expressed a disposition to answer the questions propounded to him, a sub-committee could accept his answers. It was decided, however, that Mr. Irwin was in the custody of the House and that, until he appeared at its bar, the committee had no control over him.

Personal.

Senator Scott started for his home to-night, where he will spend the Christmas holidays. Mr. Johnson, Commissioner of Customs, left last night.

BLAIRSVILLE, PA.

Boiler Explosion in a Tannery.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.
BLAIRSVILLE, PA., December 23, 1874.

The boiler in Charles Kerlar's steam tannery burst to-day at noon. The boiler house was entirely demolished. The timbers caught fire but the fire was extinguished without damage. Nobody was hurt, as the workmen were at dinner. The cause of the explosion was lack of water and the worn condition of the boiler.

NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Probabilities for To-Day.—For the Ohio Valley, clearing and cooler weather, with southwest or northwest winds and rising barometer. For the Lower Lake region, light rain or snow, followed by clearing and cooler weather, brisk or high southwest to northwest winds, followed by rising barometer. For the Middle States, cloudy, followed by clearing weather, south or west winds, increasing in force, no decided change in temperature, and rising barometer during the afternoon or evening.

Both branches of the Ohio Legislature adjourned yesterday morning till the 29th instant.

The steamers Assyria, Lessing and Java, from Liverpool, and Westphalia, from Hamburg, have arrived at New York.

Secretary Bristow has directed that the payment of interest due January 1st next shall commence to-day without rebate.

Jacob Kemper, of Brownsville, Licking county, Ohio, was thrown from his wagon and killed, yesterday, five miles north of Columbus.

The Russian difficulties with the Turcoman tribes in Khiva have been settled. The Attrak expedition has returned without fighting.

The father of Charlie Ross offers five thousand dollars for the return of the child or information that may lead to his recovery—and no questions asked.

The Ways and Means Committee will continue in New York, on Saturday, the investigation in the matter of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's subsidy.

Thomas Cottrell Clark died on Tuesday in Camden, N. J. He was the first editor of the Philadelphia *Saturday Evening Post*, and at one time editor of the *Saturday Courier*.

Mr. Childers, first Lord of the British Admiralty, visited the Navy Department yesterday, and afterwards, accompanied by Secretary Robeson, inspected the signal bureau.

The Vienna *New Free Press* says that the documents read in the secret session of the Arnim trial explained the policy of Germany in regard to the appointment of a successor to Pope Pius IX.

General Ord, at Omaha, has received information that a party of twenty-one white men, with six teams, were at the eastern foot of the Black Hills. A company of cavalry has been ordered to pursue and expel the invaders.

King Kalakaua left Washington yesterday morning for New York. Secretary Fish and other members of the Cabinet accompanied His Majesty in the President's carriage to the railroad station and there took leave of the King.

The London *Times* considers the removal of Benjamin Moran, Chief Secretary of the United States Legation at London, a misfortune both to England and America, adding that this country never had a more honest representative.

The canvass of the Louisiana Returning Board shows the election of four Conservative and two Republican Congressmen, and seventy-one Conservative and thirty-seven Republican members of the Legislature. Moncure is elected State Treasurer by 4,851 majority.

Chief Engineer Hill, of the Cleveland Fire Department, is charged with willful neglect of duty, misapplying funds, mutilating records, corruption in connection with hose contracts and bribery. The Board of Fire Commissioners asked for his resignation, which he refused. The Board then discharged him and placed the department in charge of First Assistant Engineer Bennett.

A Reward is Offered

for a flour that will make as much or as good bread as the great White River, for the price.

FOREIGN NEWS.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE

England.

A REPLY TO GLADSTONE'S "EXPOSTULATION."

LONDON, December 23.—Monseigneur Capel has published a pamphlet in reply to Gladstone's "Expostulation." He says Gladstone's pamphlet resembles Dr. Schulte's work on the power of the Pontiff, which enables Capel to use Monseigneur Fessler's answer, entitled "True and False Infallibility."

Marine News.

LONDON, December 23.—Steamships Ville de Paris, Spain and Elysia, arrived out.

European Markets.

LONDON, December 23, 5 P. M.—Consols for money 91⅞@91¾; for account 91⅞@92. United States bonds—5-20's, 1865, 106¼; do, 1867, 107; 10-40's, 104; new 5's, 103. New York Central 93; Erie 25; do preferred 42. Refined petroleum 9¼@9½d.

LIVERPOOL, December 23.—Cotton quiet: middling upland 7¼@7⅜d; Orleans 7⅝d. Sales 12,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export and 7,600 American. Breadstuffs quiet. Corn 39s 3d@39s 9d. Lard 64s. Bacon 50s 6d. Long clear middles 53s; shoulders, new, 37s; long clear middles 51s.

XLIII. CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23, 1874.

The Senate was called to order by Chief Clerk McDonald, who read a communication from Vice President Wilson, stating that he would be absent from the city upon the meeting of the Senate to-day, and requesting him to inform the Senate of the fact.

Mr. ANTHONY offered a resolution declaring that in the absence of the Vice President, Matthew H. Carpenter be chosen President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Mr. ANTHONY nominated Matthew H. Carpenter.

Mr. STEPHENSON nominated A. G. Thurman.

The vote being taken, resulted: Carpenter 33, Thurman 18.

Upon taking the chair, Mr. CARPENTER said: "Senators, please accept my thanks for this renewed expression of kindness and favor. The only return I can make will be an impartial discharge of my duties, which I shall endeavor to accomplish."

Mr. ANTHONY presented the memorial of the widow of Commander W. B. Cushing, United States Navy, for a pension. Referred.

Mr. WRIGHT offered an amendment in the nature of a substitute for the bill to provide a better government for the District of Columbia. Ordered printed and to lie on the table.

The Senate then went into executive session, and soon afterward adjourned till January 5th.

HOUSE.

Mr. MAYNARD desired to go to the Speaker's table for the purpose of taking up the Senate Finance bill.

Mr. RANDALL remarked that the Civil Rights bill would be reached on the Speaker's table before the Finance bill, and therefore objected.

Mr. CESSNA suggested that unanimous consent might be given to lay aside the Civil Rights bill without prejudice.

Mr. RANDALL remarked that there were other objectionable measures on the Speaker's table.

Mr. MAYNARD then asked unanimous consent to take the Finance bill from the Speaker's table and make some disposition of it.

Mr. RANDALL was about to renew his suggestion, when Mr. DAWES interposed a motion to go to business on the Speaker's table. This being regarded on the Democratic side of the House as an indication of a purpose to force the measure in spite of opposition, it was met by a resort to filibustering motions.

Mr. MAYNARD made another effort to avoid the impending dead-lock, and asked unanimous consent to have the bill made the special order in the House for the 8th of January.

Mr. DAWES—Why not act on the bill to-day?

Members on both sides—It is a matter of too much importance. We have not read it yet.

Mr. RANDALL—We all agree on this side to do what is fair. The gentleman from Tennessee has made his proposition, and there is no objection whatever to it on this side.

Mr. MAYNARD—The gentleman (Randall) and his associates are content that the bill shall be made the special order for the 8th of January, and if that is the best that we can do in the premises, why not do it?

Mr. DAWES—What is to hinder our reaching it by going to the Speaker's table now?

Mr. RANDALL—Because the Civil Rights bill would be reached first.

Mr. DAWES—That bill can be postponed by a majority.

Mr. BECK—A postponement would give it a chance of being considered, and we are determined it shall not be considered before the 4th of March.

Mr. PLATT hoped that his party in the House would show as much backbone as the Senate had shown, and sit out the bill if it took two weeks.

Mr. COX asked the Speaker whether the bill was not subject to the point of order that it must receive its first consideration in Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER stated that he never ruled on hypothetical points. When the bill was reached he would rule upon it.

Mr. CESSNA remarked that the Judiciary Committee had an informal understanding not to act on the Civil Rights bill till after the holidays, and that if it were reached he would ask unanimous consent that it should remain in its present condition.

After further discussion and taking of votes by yeas and nays, it was ordered that the bill be made the special order for the 7th of January.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 23, 1874.

LATEST FROM THE JAPAN.

The following dispatch was received to-day by the Directors of the Pacific Mail Company in relation to the loss of the steamer Japan:

HONG KONG, December 22.—Drowned, chief cook Cusack; missing, engineer Bennett and quartermasters Hutton and Harris.

ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION OF KALAKAUA.

King Kalakaua arrived here from Washington this afternoon. He was met at the Jersey City depot by the resident Hawaiian Consul and an Aldermanic Committee. The Chairman of the Committee welcomed the King, and extended the hospitalities and freedom of the city during his stay. His Majesty replied in a brief speech, and the party then took a boat and proceeded to this city. The Independent Troop of cavalry was drawn up in line to receive the distinguished guest. Headed by a detachment of mounted police and the cavalry, the procession proceeded up Courtlandt street to Broadway, thence to Fourteenth street and along Fifth avenue to the hotel, where the King was received by Mayor Vance and a number of prominent city officials. The Mayor tendered the hospitalities of the city to the royal visitor. The King made a brief response, and His Majesty and suite retired to their rooms. In the evening the King took dinner privately with members of the Common Council. Subsequently he had an informal reception, and was serenaded by the Seventh Regiment band. To-morrow he will have a sleighride through Central Park, and visit the Normal School, the Produce, Cotton and Stock Exchanges and the Chamber of Commerce. The committee have arranged to take him to Booth's Theater in the evening, but he prefers the Black Crook, and the programme has been changed.

FIRE RECORD.

Eight or Ten Buildings Burned at Clinton, Ohio.

CLEVELAND, December 23.—A fire at Clinton, Ohio, fourteen miles south of Akron, last night, destroyed eight or ten buildings, including Dr. Chamberlain's block and drug store, a hotel and two dry goods stores. A steamer was procured from Canal Fulton in time to prevent the fire from crossing the street.

Midland, Mich.—$30,000.

DETROIT, December 23.—Larkins & Law's shingle mill, at Midland, Mich., was destroyed by fire last night. Loss about $30,000; insurance $12,000.

Bark Foundered—Eighteen Lives Lost.

QUEENSTOWN, December 23.—The bark Norge from New York November 19th, for this port, arrived with two survivors of the crew of the bark Amity. The latter foundered on the voyage from Philadelphia for Antwerp, and eighteen of the crew drowned.

St. Louis—$50,000.

ST. LOUIS, December 23.—An unusually disastrous fire broke out in the extensive tobacco factory of Wise & Soudheimer, 806 North Main street, about six o'clock this evening, and before it could be got under control, the entire stock and machinery, valued at $25,000 to $30,000, were consumed. The building, which was owned by the Boyce and Horney estate, was damaged about $20,000. The adjoining building, occupied as a machine shop by Smith, Beggs & Co., large manufacturers of engines and heavy machinery of various kinds, was crushed by the falling walls of the tobacco factory, and the stock, machinery and building damaged $5,000.

Bold Robberies in the East End.

Lieutenant Chidlow, of the city police, on duty in the East End, reports several bold robberies and a burglary. On Wednesday evening at a comparatively early hour, the residence of Col. P. M. Guthrie, on Fifth avenue, near Shady lane, was entered. The house was thoroughly ransacked, and the thieves captured a considerable amount of goods. Col. Guthrie was down town attending to and participating in the drill of the Greys in City Hall. It is said the rascals damaged the parlor furniture, and were chased away by their discovery by Mrs. Guthrie.

A man named Steinhart was arrested at an early hour yesterday morning, having in his possession some seventeen Christmas trees. It was ascertained that they had been cut from trees on the lands of Messrs. Paulson, Vandervort, Van Gorder and Rea.

A man named Heberman was also arrested for a similar larceny from the grounds of taxpayer George Finley. The parties were jailed for a hearing before Deputy Mayor Nichols.

Look Out for Dealers

that represent they have White River Flour under other brands. This is often done to make sales.

FROM MARQUETTE, MICH.

Circular of the Michigan Iron Company—Petition to Congress—New Land Companies.

Special Correspondence of Pittsburgh Commercial.
MARQUETTE, MICH., December 21, 1874.

The following circular was issued on Saturday:

OFFICE MICHIGAN IRON COMPANY, MARQUETTE, December 18, 1874.

To Our Creditors:—We understood "The Republic Iron Company," through its agent here, Mr. Powell Stackhouse, has addressed you a circular letter, asking you to join him in his efforts to force the "Michigan Iron Company" into bankruptcy.

This action on the part of Mr. Stackhouse, we have reason to believe, has been actuated by a feeling of personal animosity, emanating from our refusal to prefer the Republic Company's claim to those of our other creditors.

His action does not meet with the approval of the directors of his company residing here, and is severely condemned by all who are acquainted with the business relations of the two companies.

We can only say that our furnaces are doing well; our whole management has met with the approval of all unprejudiced iron men, and should the Republic Company gain their point, we cannot see how any new management would enhance the interests of our creditors.

Should an improvement take place next season, as we anticipate, in the iron market, we shall be able to do well for all our creditors. Meantime we shall be working up our stock of wood and coal, thereby constantly increasing our assets for your benefit.

In reference to the pending suits mentioned by Mr. Stackhouse, some have been discontinued, the parties having acquainted themselves with our condition, and the others are having our attention, and we expect to be able to settle them satisfactorily to all concerned.

If, however, the majority of our creditors consider it best for their interests that we should go into bankruptcy, we will, at their request, take steps to place our affairs in the hands of a receiver.

THE MICHIGAN IRON CO.

The following memorial to Congress is being extensively circulated to-day:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

Your petitioners, citizens of ———, in the State of ———, respectfully represent:

That ever since 1858 the mining companies in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, by reason of their remote and isolated situation, have been accustomed to make payments to their laborers and of other indebtedness, by means of drafts for small amounts drawn upon their agents or treasurers in the Eastern cities; that such drafts, in the ordinary course of business, speedily found their way to the drawees, by whom they were paid; that these drafts were never designed to receive any circulation like that of paper currency, or any other circulation than such as was casual and incidental to their passage to their place of payment.

Your petitioners further represent that the parties who have issued or used these drafts have never intended to act in contravention to any law of the United States; but that some of the officers of the Internal Revenue Service have claimed that their use was a technical violation of the revenue laws, and that therefore the use of such drafts has been discontinued and has now entirely ceased.

Your petitioners represent further, that the Revenue Department proposes to assess a tax against so many parties and for such large amounts, for issuing such drafts, as would, if collection could be enforced, obliterate the business and industry of the entire section; and that the assertion of such claims is a source of great annoyance, perplexity, disquiet and financial embarrassment to a community which has already suffered untold losses by reason of the great prostration of the iron trade, their sole industry.

Your petitioners therefore earnestly pray your honorable bodies speedily to pass for the relief of these parties a bill now before the House of Representatives, introduced by Hon. Jay A. Hubbell, numbered 3,830.

Two new companies have been formed here recently, called the "Ishpeming Mineral Land Company" and the "Chicago Mineral Land Company." Mr. Robert Nelson, the originator of both companies, merges some 16,000 acres of land into both. The companies will begin explorations in the spring, with the ultimate object of mining.

W. R.

LAKE SUPERIOR IRON DISTRICT.

Shipments of Ore and Metal During the Season.

[From the Marquette Mining Journal.]

The following table exhibits, in gross tons, the shipments of iron ore and pig iron from this port up to and including Thursday, December 17, 1874:

ORE.

Cleveland	96,358	New York	10,105
Lake Superior	84,323	Shenango	5,429
Champion	46,420	Rolling Mill	4,258
Washington	26,874	Edwards	2,849
Republic	117,239	Winthrop	4,570
Keystone	3,067	McComber	2,642
Kloman	34,848	Lake Angeline	1,145
Total			440,427

PIG IRON.

Michigan Iron Co.	8,971	Carp furnace	1,375
Morgan furnace	7,060	Ishpm'g peat fur.	450
Bancroft furnace	3,596	Iron Cliffs Co.	175
Champion fur.	408	Rolling Mill	1,761
Grace furnace	5,699		
Total			29,515
Total ore and pig iron			469,942

The following table exhibits all the shipments of iron ore and pig iron in the season of 1874, so far as we have been able to obtain the figures. The shipments of a few mines to local furnaces are not given, but will be added hereafter:

ORE.

Republic	117,606	Winthrop	8,242
Cleveland	108,932	Rolling Mill	14,796
Superior	10[illegible]	P. & L. S.	1,362
New York	78,374	Goodrich	3,048
Saginaw	45,449	Salisbury	5,366
Jackson	83,671	Edwards	2,849
Cascade	14,839	Home	2,139
Barnum	38,656	Teal Lake	2,610
Champion	46,943	Carr	948
Washington	27,890	Howell Hoppock	966
Lake Angeline	29,457	Emma	726
Kloman	35,688	Bagaley	541
Michigamme	45,125	Excelsior	589
Spurr Mountain	42,068	Williams	596
Foster	1,143	Stewart	305
Keystone	4,480	Allen	130
Shenango	5,406	Gilmore	162
Total iron ore			880,147

PIG IRON.

Pioneer furnace	5,285	Carp	1,375
Deer Lake fur.	6,036	Ishpeming	450
Escanaba fur.	5,133	Rolling Mill	1,761
Michigan IronCo.	8,974	Bay	7,579
Morgan	7,060	Munising	6,100
Bancroft	3,596		
Champion	408	Total pig iron	59,453
Grace	5,699		
Total ore and pig iron			939,600

The above does not include shipments from the Menominee and Fayette furnaces, nor that shipped by the Iron Cliffs Company by rail south of Escanaba. The totals are approximate only, but we hope to be able to give the exact figures in our next issue.

STATE NEWS.

Diptheria is alarmingly prevalent in Warren.

Over sixty nations now burn our Pennsylvania coal oil.

The collieries in the Lykens Valley region are all idle.

Dr. John B. Mitchell, a prominent citizen of Chester, died on the 19th inst.

The Pine ironworks, in Douglas township, Berks county, are running full time.

The *Chronicle* says laudanum drinking is a much too-prevalent custom in Allentown.

Mr. Jesse Hawley, of the Reading *Eagle*, has gone to Florida in search of better health.

Mrs. Daniel Gross is the oldest person in Montgomery county. She is in her ninety-third year.

Some of the Reading people want their new city charter repealed, and are working to secure that end.

There were three hundred and twenty deaths in Philadelphia, last week—fifty-eight from consumption.

Mr. Theodore F. Russell, an attache of the Pottsville *Journal*, died on the 19th inst., aged thirty-one years.

The pupils of the Moravian Female Seminary, at Bethlehem, have subscribed $100 to the Centennial. Patriotic girls!

An old lady of eighty-four years, in Carrolltown, Cambria county, is now engaged at needle-work—making her own shroud.

A number of gentlemen of Easton are going to start a sinking fund in the shape of a Democratic weekly paper in that place.

Mrs. James Blair, of Plaingrove township, Lawrence county, was burned to death on the 15th inst. Her clothes caught fire at the stove.

Mrs. Clara Riley, of Chester, aged about nineteen years, committed suicide on the 14th inst., by taking arsenic. It is thought she had contemplated the act for some time.

A gentleman in Reading, opposed to fussy funerals, has provided in his will that, when he dies, his body shall be buried as quietly and with as little display as possible.

Henry Moyer, of Millcreek township, Lebanon county, has a horse thirty-five years old, which is yet able to do as much work as one seven years old, and which paces as smoothly as ever.

The imports of the port of Erie in 1874 were, 206,435 bushels of barley, 1,500,481 bushels of corn, 295,647 barrels of flour, 154,462 tons of iron ore, 29,767,987 feet of lumber, 594,839 bushels of oats, 77,846 bushels of peas, 2,163 tons of pig iron, and 3,598,007 bushels of wheat.

There died in Philadelphia, last week, ten persons who had reached or passed the advanced age of eighty years, as follows: Joseph Gilkeson, aged eighty; Honore Toomey, eighty; John Newhouse, eighty-one; Jane Risdon, eighty-one; Owen Cadwalader, eighty-two; Mary M. Collins, eighty-three; Abby DeHaven, eighty-four; Adam Southern, eighty-six; Ann Kerr, ninety, and Jane McMinn, ninety-three.

An Altoona firm of capitalists purchased four thousand acres of land in Clearfield township recently, and after sinking a shaft to the depth of sixty feet, most of the way through rock, in a portion of their purchase they found a coal deposit six feet eight inches in thickness. It is their impression that this vein underlies the whole tract, and if such should prove to be the case they may consider their fortunes as good as made.

OHIO NEWS.

The saloon keepers' union in Youngstown is dead.

Two applications for divorce per day, are made at Dayton.

Kelley's Island produced 235,000 gallons of wine the past season.

The crusaders are preparing for a vigorous campaign at Mount Vernon.

Xenia is to have a glass furnace that will turn out a large quantity of glass.

The Society of Friends have commenced building a school house at Barnesville.

Eight hundred barrels of wild ducks have been shipped from Fremont, this season.

Cincinnati is to have a permanent art museum. Mr. Probasco has taken the matter in hand.

There is no prospect of an early resumption of Brown, Bonnell & Co.'s iron works, at Youngstown.

The fourth annual reunion of the old Nineteenth Ohio regiment takes place at Ravenna on Friday, January 1st.

A Toledo policeman was dismissed from the force because he was afraid to tackle a "ghost" that he thought he saw.

The proprietors of the Chillicothe foundry and machine works have reduced the wages of employees about thirteen per cent.

A two-legged hog ate two and a half cans of raw oysters, a half pound of crackers and five pickles, in Tiffin, the other day, on a wager.

"Santa Claus" made an early visit to an Akron man, and he came "with a vengeance," too. Three of 'em, at thirteen pounds apiece.

The books for the Miami Valley Narrow Gauge Railroad were opened at Lebanon Monday, and in one hour's time $26,000 were subscribed.

The Guernsey *Times* says that iron manufacturers in Belmont county are seriously considering the propriety of reducing the wages of operatives.

At Kenton, a few days ago, Michael Shartill fell into a vat of hot water and was so badly scalded, before he could be rescued, as to cause his death.

A young man by the name of William Dunham, at work in a saw mill near Ripley, was thrown upon the saw and instantly killed, on Monday.

The Cleveland *Plain Dealer* says that it is expected that the Valley Railway will be in active operation by the first of July next from Cleveland to Canton.

Youngstown, it is said, don't or can't raise the $100,000 necessary to erect the court house and jail, so that the county seat can be moved there from Canfield.

On Sunday week, William Morkem of Lawrence township, Washington county, tumbled down a steep hillside, striking a stump, and was found some hours later, dead.

Tax Collector Enjoined.

A bill in equity has been filed in the District Court against the city of Pittsburgh, L. B. Richards, and James Shaw, by Maria McFarland, who owns twenty lots an Fifth avenue, Twentieth ward, in O'Hara's plan, and who owns all the personal property on the premises, which is held, however, by Michael O'Hara under a lease. The taxes on all the lots comprised in the plan, numbering over 200, amount to $3,000, and on failure of payment a warrant was put in the hands of Collector Richards, who recently caused a levy to be made by James Shaw, a constable, for the whole amount of the taxes upon the personal property of the complainant, notwithstanding she had tendered the full amount of taxes due on her property. Notice was given to O'Hara that the property would be sold, but none to the complainant. The case being clearly in violation of law, the Court issued an injunction restraining the defendants from further proceeding with the arrangement of a sale.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed of record in the office of Ralph J. Richardson, County Recorder, December 23, 1874:

Twentieth ward, Pittsburgh—A. A. Fuhrer to George W. Schmidt, June 2, 1873; lot on Friendship avenue, 100x234 feet...$3,225

Hampton township—John McCastlin to John Lunch, March 23, 1874; ten acres land...$880

First ward, Allegheny—Central Building and Loan Association to Jane C. Leckey, October 31, 1873; lot 20x100 feet, Rebecca street...$1,900

Twentieth ward, Pittsburgh—Eleanor Stotler to Miles Gallagher, July 31, 1874; lot on Eva street, 85x125 feet...$5,500

Thirty-first ward—Bernard Krugh to Peter Wilhelm, November 5, 1874; lot 75x155 feet, Washington road...$6,500

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WANTED.

WANTED—EVERY PERSON TO GET their Photographs at BASSFORD'S, 40 Sixth street. Prices reduced and satisfaction guaranteed.

WANTED—EVERY SPORTSMAN—To call or send for a price list of Rifles, Shot Guns, Revolvers, Ammunition, &c. Address J. H. JOHNSTON, Great Western Gun Works, 285 Liberty street, Pittsburgh.

WANTED—ROOM WITH POWER—First and second or second and third story Rooms, with about 10 horse power, for manufacturing purposes. Address, stating location, size and price, Postoffice Box 939, City.

WANTED—MODELS—INVENTORS and others wanting Patent Office Models or Experimental Models of Iron, Wood or Brass to call at Keystone Pattern and Model Works of J. F. MILLER & CO., 98 Water street and 80 First avenue.

WANTED—PROPOSALS—FOR Building two three-story Brick Dwelling Houses, parties bidding to take two Building Lots in Thirty-second Ward as part pay on contract of the buildings. For further particulars apply to G. W. RANKIN, Real Estate Agent, 104 Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

WANTED—TO IRON AND STEEL MANUFACTURERS—By a Man just arrived from England, of ten years' experience in constructing Siemen's Regenerative Gas Furnaces in England and Wales, wishes a situation as Foreman in a similar Works. Thoroughly understands Plans and making Gas. Willing to work on moderate wages. Address Box A D.

NOTICES.

TO WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN OHIO LYCEUMS AND LITERARY ASSOCIATIONS.—RICHARD REALF, of the Pittsburgh COMMERCIAL, will make a limited number of engagements to deliver the Lecture on "Poetry," in contiguous localities. Terms moderate. Address this office.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR OF GAS AND GAS METERS FOR ALLEGHENY COUNTY.—Desiring that the public should more generally avail themselves of the advantages of this office, I would give notice to persons desiring to have their Meters Tested to leave their orders at the office of their respective Gas Companies, or at my office, corner of Twenty-third and Smallman streets, and they shall receive prompt attention.

R. H. SMITH, Inspector.

RELIGIOUS.

CHRISTMAS—ST. PETER'S CHURCH, corner Grant street and Diamond. The enterprising congregation of this church are making most elaborate preparations for Christmas. The Church is to be decorated in a way more beautiful and artistic than ever.

On THURSDAY EVENING the annual "Children's Service" will be held. Carols and Anthems will be sung by the Choirs. There will be the distribution of Gifts from a Christmas Tree, and public catechising of the children. The services will commence at 6½ P. M.

On CHRISTMAS DAY there will be service at 10½ A. M., with administration of the Holy Communion and an appropriate Sermon by the Rector.

The public are cordially invited to attend these services.

OLD TEA HOUSE

TEAS, A SPECIALTY.

Christmas Dinner,

Oysters.

FRESH OYSTERS,	PICKLED OYSTERS,
SPICED OYSTERS.	

Soup.

TERRAPIN,	GREEN TURTLE,
MOCK TURTLE,	CHICKEN,
JULIENNE,	BEEF, OXTAIL,
MACARONI,	TOMATO,
VERMICELLI,	SPLIT PEA.

Fish.

FRESH SALMON,	FRESH MACKEREL,
SPICED SALMON,	LOBSTERS,
FRESH HALIBUT,	CLAMS,
MUSCLES,	KIPPERED HERRING,
SCHRIMPS,	YARMOUTH BLOATERS.

Roast.

ROAST CHICKEN,	ROAST BEEF,
ROAST TURKEY,	ROAST VEAL,
ROAST DUCK,	ROAST LAMB.

Meat.

HAMS,	BACON,
BEEF TONGUES,	DRIED BEEF,
CORNED BEEF,	SAUSAGE.

French Vegetables.

TRUFFES,	ARTICHOKES,
CHAMPIGNONS,	CEPS,
ASPARAGUS,	HARICOT'S FLAGEOLETS,
PETITS POIS FINS,	HARICOT'S VERTS.

American Vegetables.

ONEIDA CORN,	TOMATO,
STRING BEANS,	SUCCOTASH,
LIMA BEANS,	PUNPKIN,
ASPHARAGUS,	GUMBO (Okra).

Relishes.

SPANISH OLIVES,	MACARONI,
NASTURTIONS,	BENGAL CHUTNA,
FRENCH MUSTARD,	ESSENCE OF SHRIMPS,
MANGO RELISH,	YORKSHIRE RELISH,
CURRIE POWDER,	ESS. OF ANCHOVIES,
SALAD DRESSING,	MUSHROOM CATSUP,
ITALIAN PASTE,	WALNUT CATSUP,

OLIVES STUFFED WITH ANCHOVIES.
ENGLISH PICKLES AND SAUCES.

Pates.

CHICKEN PIE,	PATE DE FOIES GRAS,
YORKSHIRE PIE,	HAM PIES,
IRISH STEW,	PLUMB PUDDING.

Cheese.

STILTON,	NEUCHATEL,
CHEDDAR,	PINE APPLE,
SAP SAGO,	EDAM,
SWEITZER,	LIMBURGER,
YOUNG AMERICA,	HERKIMER COUNTY,
GOSHEN,	PARMESAN,

ROQUEFORT.

Fresh Fruit.

NECTARINES,	RED CHERRIES,
APRICOTS,	EGG PLUMS,
MALAGA GRAPES,	DAMSONS,
STRAWBERRIES,	GREEN GAGES,
QUINCES,	PEACHES,
WHITE CHERRIES,	BLACKBERRIES,

BARTLETT PEARS.

Chinese Preserves.

CHINESE GINGER,	CUMCUAT ORANGES,
CRYSTAL GINGER,	CHINESE CHOW-CHOW.

Nuts.

WALNUTS,	BRAZIL,
FILBERTS,	LANGUEDOC,
PECANS,	IVICA ALMONDS,

PRINCESS PAPER SHELLS.

Raisins.

CHOICE DEHESA,	VALENCIA,
LONDON LAYERS,	MUSCATELS,
SULTANA,	CROWN LAYERS,

SEEDLESS.

Coffee.

MOCHA,	OLD GOV. JAVA,
LIBERIA,	MARACAIBO,
RIO,	LA GUAYRA,

FRENCH.

Tea.

GREEN,	BLACK,
ENG. BREAKFAST,	ROSE FLAVORED,
JAPAN,	THEA NECTAR.

GARDEN GROWN TEA.

Chocolates.

CHOCOLATE MENIER,	BROMA,
CHOCOLATE VANILLA,	COCOA,
CHOCOLATE PASTE,	COCOA SHELLS,
CHOCOLATE MAILLARD,	CRACKED COCOA.

RACAHOUT, the New Parisian Drink.

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20 FIFTH AVENUE,

PITTSBURGH.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—700 POUNDS MINION TYPE, nearly new. Will be sold at a bargain. Apply at this office.

FOR SALE—AN OSGOOD DREDGE—Machinery and Boat in perfect order. Apply to ISHAM HENDERSON, Louisville, Ky.

FOR SALE—OAK TANNED LEATHER Belting and No. 1 "City Finish" Harness Leather at THORP & DUNN'S, 14 Market street.

FOR SALE—PLANING MILL MACHINERY—Prices to suit the times. Every Machine guaranteed. Send for Descriptive Circular and price list. M. B. COCHRAN & CO., 121 Liberty street.

FOR SALE—ENGINES AND BOILERS—New and Second-hand, of all sizes, Stationary and Portable, from 2 to 60-horse power, now on hand. JAMES HILL & CO., corner Marion avenue and P., Ft. W. and C. R. R., Allegheny, Pa.

FOR SALE—THREE NEW DOUBLE-FLUE Boilers, 20x36; twelve Portable Boilers, from 12 to 20 horse power; Engines from 4 to 80 horse power; one Hoisting Engine and Boiler. ANDERSON, MAXWELL & PORTER, 40 Park Way, Allegheny.

FOR SALE—PATENT REPORTS—A set of 61 Volumes, containing a complete list of Patents from the organization of the Government in 1790 to July 1, 1874. Price, $120. If preferred, $20 may be sent with the order, and the balance collected when the books are received by express, C. O. D. Address G. E. N., this office.

FOR SALE—FORTY SUPERIOR Second-hand Boilers, in good order, ranging from 30 inches to 44 inches in diameter, and 10 feet to 30 feet long; double-flued and cylinder. County Inspector's certificate of test with each boiler. Repairing done promptly at the West Point Boiler Works, No. 13 Water street. WATSON & MUNROE.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR good city or country property—A number of valuable and well located Lots near South Chicago, and in close proximity to the Calumet River and different lines of Railroad. Those Lots are dry. The Calumet region is destined to be at an early day the manufacturing and commercial point of Chicago. For particulars apply to E. C. KEYS, 96 Fourth avenue, or FLAGG, DURANT & CO., 104 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR SALE—A SPLENDID FARM OF 128 Acres, two miles of Baden Station, Beaver county; 28 Acres in fine Timber; new Frame House of 6 Rooms; large new Barn; first class Orchard, 300 trees; nearly level; suits for Dairy Stock or Grain; well watered; Coal under it. Price $125 per Acre. We have some smaller Tracts for sale: 136 Acres in Indiana county, price $6,000, and a 250 Acre Farm in Ohio, price $15,000, for exchange. STEVENSON & WITTISH'S Farm Agency, 198 Penn street, Pittsburgh, near St. Clair Hotel.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—ROOMS—NICELY FURNISHED Rooms, with or without Board. Apply at No. 60 Ross street.

FOR RENT—ROOM—LARGE WELL lighted second floor Room, 44x60 feet, with good entrance, located on Smithfield street. The party holding it has a three year lease. For particulars address Box A. E., Commercial office.

FOR RENT—NO. 61 FOURTH AVENUE Office on first floor, with fire-proof Vault, Counters, &c., suitable for Banking, insurance or other office; well lighted and heated; Washroom, Water Closet. Inquire at Merchants' and Manufacturers' National Bank.

FOR RENT—A HANDSOME BRICK Dwelling House, on Cliff street, Parlors, Dining Room and Kitchen on first floor; Gas, dry Cellar, 3 Bedrooms and finished Attic. Water and modern improvements. The Lot extends from street to street. Will be rented reasonable. Possession given immediately. For particulars apply to WM. EVANS, Commercial office.

FOR RENT OR SALE—NEW TWO-STORY Frame House, with Bay Window, containing 6 Rooms, Vestibule and Hall, Water in Kitchen; Lot 45x206, with Grapevines, &c., located on Grandview avenue, Mount Washington, Thirty-fifth ward, commanding the finest view in the city. Rent moderate to a good tenant. For particulars, &c., apply to E. ABEL, Commercial Counting Room.

OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF ALLEGHENY CO., Pittsburgh, Pa., December 21, 1874.

Notice to Butchers and Bakers.

Sealed Proposals

Directed to the Board of Inspectors of Allegheny County Prison, will be received at this Office until the 30TH INST., inclusive, for Furnishing the County Jail with good Wheat Bread, for six months, beginning on the 15th of January, 1875, to be delivered daily, in such quantities as the Warden or his Agent may direct.

ALSO,

SEALED PROPOSALS, directed as above, will be received at this office until the 30TH INST., inclusive, for Furnishing the County Jail with good Rolling Beef, free from bone, for six months, beginning on the 15th of January, 1875, to be delivered daily in such quantities as the Warden or his Agent may direct.

HENRY WARNER,
Secretary Board of Prison Inspectors.

TO FAMILIES.

Persons wanting to Cure their own Hams can obtain the Green Hams from us.

F. Sellers & Co.,
Corner Penn and Tenth streets.

HOLIDAY GOODS! HOLIDAY GOODS!

GEO. W. HASLETT
OFFERS TO HIS PATRONS AND FRIENDS
A MOST SUPERB COLLECTION OF
Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry,
Silver-Ware, Bronzes and Fancy Goods.
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HOLIDAY GOODS! HOLIDAY GOODS!

ELECTION NOTICES.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, PA.—The Annual Election for Nine Directors for this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, corner of Fifth avenue and Wood street, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
J. D. SCULLY, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 17, 1874.

CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK—ELECTION—The Annual Election for Nine Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on the SECOND TUESDAY OF JANUARY, 1875, the 12th proximo, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
R. K. WILSON, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12 1874.

GERMAN NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election for Nine Directors of this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1875, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
JOSEPH LAURENT, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 19, 1874.

CITY NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, PA.—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, Smithfield street and Sixth avenue, on TUESDAY, the 12th of January, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
J. W. TAYLOR, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL BANK—ELECTION—An election of Directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on TUESDAY, January 12, 1875, from 11 to 1 P. M.
W. McCANDLESS, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election for Nine Directors of this Bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
W. STEINMEYER, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

BANK OF INDUSTRY—THE Annual Election of Directors for this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 5th, 1875, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
M. HANRAHAN, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 15th, 1874.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BIRMINGHAM—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1875, between the hours of 2 and 4 P. M.
JOHN P. BEECH, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

TRADESMENS' NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Bank, on TUESDAY, January 12th, from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M.
CYRUS CLARKE, JR., Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election of Directors for this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1875, from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M.
F. M. GORDON, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

THE IRON CITY NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH.—The Annual Election for Thirteen Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
GEO. E. DUNCAN, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

FARMERS' DEPOSIT NATIONAL BANK—ELECTION—An Election for Directors will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 12, 1875, between 1 and 2 o'clock P. M.
S. GEORGE, JR., Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1874.

MERCHANT'S AND MANUFACTURERS' NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, No. 61 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, 12th day of January, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
W. A. SHAW, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE—ELECTION—The Annual Election for Nine Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1875, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
JOS. H. HILL, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK—The Annual Election of Directors for this Bank will be held at the Banking House, No. 46 Fifth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 12th, 1875, between the hours of 12 M and 1 P. M.
A. LONG, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 12, 1874.

COMPLIMENTS

OF THE SEASON!

In making selections of Goods for our Special Line of Business for the Holiday Trade of 1874, we are aided by many years' practical experience, and the advantage of extensive dealing. We now offer for the inspection of the public a much greater variety, and more complete assortment than ever, in Rich and Rare, Useful and Beautiful Articles appropriate for **Holiday** and **Wedding** Presents.

We offer unusual Inducements in **Fine Watches** and **Chains**, with a large stock from which to select.

In Jewelry and **Silver-Ware** ours are New and Tasteful.

Our **French Clocks** in **Marble and Bronze** Cases, embrace many Rare Patterns.

In **Antique and Florentine Bronzes** and Articles of **Bijouterie**, which are of our own importation, our Stock in BEAUTY of DESIGN and VARIETY of STYLE, surpasses any former display.

We cordially invite the public to an examination of our Goods, and shall be most happy to exhibit them to all, whether visitors or purchasers.

E. P. ROBERTS,

16 FIFTH AVENUE.

Wanted!

DRESSED HOGS.

F. Sellers & Co.,
Corner Penn and Tenth streets.

1874 PANIC 1875

REDUCTION IN GROCERIES!

AT

J. J. HOWARD'S,

100 Diamond Square,

(LOWER SIDE OF MARKET.)

Read the Prices!

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LEADING RETAIL FLOUR HOUSE OF THE CITY.

BEST BRANDS AS FOLLOWS:

Pride of St. Louis Flour, (very fine), per bbl.	$7 50
Pride of St. Louis Flour, (very fine), per sack	1 85
Pride of Ohio Flour, from Canton, per bbl.	5 75
Pride of Ohio Flour, from Canton, per sack	1 65
Good Ohio Flour, per bbl.	5 75
Good Ohio Flour, per sack	1 40
Buckwheat Flour, (very best) per pound	5 cts
Graham Flour, coarse	5 cts
Corn Meal, per bushel	1 05

CRACKERS AT FACTORY PRICES.

Every Article in the Store is NEW and FRESH, and will be sold at the

Lowest Cash Prices!

COFFEES.

Fresh Roasted Coffee Every Day!

No Old Roasted Coffee in Paper Packages.

Roasted Rio Coffee, per pound 21c and	24 c
Choice Rio Coffee, per pound	27 c
Best Rio Coffee, per pound	30 c
Roasted Java Coffee, per pound	38 c

SUGARS.

White Sugar, per pound	10 c
Yellow Sugar, per pound	9 c
Choice Brown Sugar, per pound	9½c
Granulated, per pound	12 c
Pelverized, per pound	12 c
Crushed, per pound	12 c
Cut Loaf, per pound	13 c

TEAS

At Lower Prices Than Ever Before Offered.

NEW GOODS

FOR 1874 AND 1875.

New Currants, per pound	8 c
New Raisins, per pound	12½c
New Raisins, (Seedless), per pound	16 c
New Layer Raisins, per pound	16 c
New Layer Raisins, per ¼ box	$1 15
New Turkey Prunes, per pound	13 c
New French Prunes, per pound	19 c
New Muscatels, per pound	20 c
Dried Blackberries, per pound	12½c
Rice, per pound	8c and 10 c
Boneless Codfish	10 c
New Navy Beans, per quart	10 c
Dried Peas, per quart	10 c
Twenty-eight Bars Soap for	$1 00
Twelve Bars Wax Soap for	50 c
New Jersey Cranberries, per quart	12½c
New Orleans Molasses, per gallon	85c and $1 00
New White Fish, per kit	1 60
New White Fish, per ¼ bbl.	3 25
New Dried Peaches, per pound	12½c
New Sliced Apples, per pound	12½c
New Pitted Cherries, per pound	38 c
New Pitted Plums, per pound	28 c
New Raspberries, per pound	45 c
Syrups, per gallon	50c to $1 00

20 Per Cent. Saved

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100 Diamond Square,

PITTSBURGH.

No Charge for Delivering Goods.

ELEGANT Christmas Goods ELEGANT

AT

Wattles & Sheafer's,

129 (Old No. 101) Fifth Ave.

We have just returned from the East with one of the Finest Stocks of Goods ever brought to this city, which we will sell at VERY LOW PRICES.

DIAMONDS, WATCHES, CHAINS and BRACELETS. Fine Assortment of BREAST PINS and EAR RINGS, in STONE CAMEO, CORAL, AMETHYST, TURQUOISE, TOPAZ, ENAMELED and PLAIN GOLD.

Elegant Stock of CAMEO SLEEVE BUTTONS, STUDS and RINGS.

Nice Stock of ROMAN NECK-LACES, CROSSES and LOCKETS, SOLID SILVER and SILVER-PLATED WARE, GOLD and SILVER HEAD CANES.

FINEST STOCK IN THE CITY OF

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Jno. A. Scott, Ex-County Commissioner.
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$1,000 REWARD!

A Reward of One Thousand Dollars is offered by the Commissioners of Allegheny County for the Detection and Conviction of the Murderer or Murderers of JOHN A. OATMAN, Superintendent of the Duquesne Coal Company, who was murdered on the 16th of December last, at the Company's Works, Wilkins Township.

J. STUCKRATH,
J. G. MURRAY,
Commissioners.

Pittsburgh, December 21, 1874.

INVEST YOUR MONEY IN

Ten Per Cent.

SCHOOL AND MUNICIPAL BONDS.

INVESTORS desiring full information concerning these or other securities, are invited to call on

LUTHER S. KAUFFMAN,
Stock and Bond Broker,
96 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Letters of inquiry from parties residing out of the city, will be cheerfully and promptly answered.

USE SAWYER'S BARBERS' SOAP

Jesse H. Lippincott,

NO. 231 LIBERTY STREET.

Canned		Goods
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Canned	Low Prices, Large Stock,	Goods
Canned	Best Qualities and	Goods
Canned	Satisfactory Discounts to	Goods
Canned	CASH BUYERS,	Goods
Canned	Are Leading Features in	Goods
Canned	our Business.	Goods
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Jesse H. Lippincott,

NO. 231 LIBERTY STREET.

DISSOLUTION—THE PARTNERSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN THE UNDERSIGNED will expire on the 1st day of January next, by limitation. All unsettled accounts at that date will be settled by RICHARD E. BREED, who expects to continue the business.

RICHARD E. BREED,
J. J. HENDERSON.

PITTSBURGH, December 11, 1874.

HOLIDAY GOODS AT COST!

In consequence of the anticipated dissolution of the Firm on the first day of January next,

Richard E. Breed & Co.,

No. 100 WOOD STREET,

WILL SELL GOODS AT COST UNTIL THAT DATE TO REDUCE STOCK.

CHINA.

White, Gold-Band and Decorated TEA, DINNER AND TOILET SETS, VASES, STATUETTES.

BOHEMIAN GLASS.

VASES, COLOGNE SETS, CUT AND ENGRAVED TABLE GLASSWARE.

LAVA STATUETTES AND VASES.

Queensware, or White Granite Ware of all Kinds.

Foreign and Domestic Glassware, Brittania and Silver-Plated Ware, Table Cutlery and Tea Trays.

R. SIEDLE,

No. 54, LATE 42, FIFTH AVENUE.

WATCHES,

CHAINS, RINGS, FINE JEWELRY,

SILVERWARE.

FRENCH AND AMERICAN CLOCKS BRONZES AND FINE TABLE CUTLERY

New Fancy and Side Band Prints.
New Dress Goods and Alpacas.
New Men's and Boys' Wear.
Fullerton's Barred Flannels.
New Lisbon Barred Flannels.
Allegheny Barred Flannels.

ARBUTHNOT, SHANNON & CO.

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS.

WHOLESALE EXCLUSIVELY.

Lowest Eastern Prices. Bargains in all Departments

Scarlet, Yellow, White and Grey Flannels.
Canton Flannels. New Cheviots.
White and Colored Blankets, Horse Covers.
Felt and Balmoral Skirts.
Hosiery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs.
Scarfs, Nubias and Fancy Woolens.

ELEGANT HOLIDAY GOODS,

AT

W. W. WATTLES',

No. 30, (Old 22), FIFTH AVENUE.

Fine Coral and Cameo Jewelry, Elegant Watches and Chains,

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STEAM BOILERS

Against Injury caused by a Low Temperature of Feed Water.

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WHOLESALE CONFECTIONERS

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METALLIC PACKING, BRASS CASTINGS AND ANTI-FRICTION METALS, STEAM PUMPS AND BOILER FEEDERS. All Kinds of BRASS AND IRON GOODS FOR STEAM, GAS, WATER AND OIL Manufactured and For Sale at Lowest Prices by

S. CADMAN & SON,

CORNER DUQUESNE WAY AND SIXTH ST

The Commercial.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1874.

AND now the restoration of the historian MOTLEY to the diplomatic corps is said to be under consideration. It is to be hoped the information is incorrect. Such a step would be a blunder almost too huge for contemplation.

THE St. Louis *Dispatch* editorially reaffirms its conviction that "it is no longer any harm to kill carpet-baggers"—and the New York *Tribune* cuddles under the same political bed-clothes with the author of the atrocious doctrine.

THE New York *Herald* has of late toned down the "display lines" with which it was wont to startle its bamboozled readers. Now let it conquer its silly conceitedness and insufferable propensity for self-boasting, and a still more marked improvement will be visible.

WE STAND on the threshold of Christmas Day. There is too little Christmas in the world. The love which is the soul of the sweet time should not be left out of three hundred and sixty-four days of the year, in order that it may blaze up like a rocket on the three hundred and sixty-fifth.

WE ARE sorry that Senator SCHURZ should have had occasion to deny the statement attributed to him, to the effect that he had declared he would not accept any renomination or re-election to the Senate from the Missouri Democrats. The report that he had done so was altogether to his credit.

BROWN, the Canadian Government agent, has again made his appearance in Washington, trying to work the Reciprocity Treaty through the Senate. This is not that BROWN who has acquired such wide notoriety as the confidential personal attendant of Queen VICTORIA: he is merely a lacquey of the British free traders.

IT IS gratifying to note that public interest in the Centennial Exhibition is steadily increasing, and that all the present indications presage a marked success. Already the applications for space from our own people are nearly equal to the entire area set apart for the United States, and there is good reason to believe that in the departments of useful machinery, manufactures, and natural productions, the display will be grander than anything of the kind the world has heretofore witnessed.

LAST Saturday HENRY WARD BEECHER mortgaged his house and lot to the United States Trust Company for $15,000, in order to pay off two prior mortgages given by him to the Brooklyn Savings Bank, and the papers in the transaction were filed on Monday. The fact has given rise to a number of fresh rumors as to the alleged settlement of the TILTON-BEECHER suit. Should it really turn out that the matter has been compromised, the worst enemy the great preacher ever had could hardly ask a more open confession of guilt.

THE Republicans of the old Twenty-Third Congressional district have done themselves honor in electing Col. JOHN M. THOMPSON to fill the unexpired portion of Mr. MCJUNKIN's term. Brief as his period of service will be, it will yet, we doubt not, be of sufficient duration to practically convince the electors of the district of the thorough wisdom of their choice. The result also suggests that the bucketfuls of wit and sarcasm which the opposition have poured out over the supposed demise of the Republican party, may quite possibly turn out to have been premature. Funerals are awkward affairs when the "corpse" is not dead.

THE Washington correspondent of the New York *Times* says that some of the members of the Board of Managers of the National Homes for disabled soldiers are inclined to favor the admission of soldiers of the Confederacy on equal terms with those of the Union, and predicts that such a proposition will be made within the next two or three years. It is quite likely. It would be in accordance with the Democratic fitness of things. We predict, too, that an ex-rebel General will be made Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs in the next Congress, and another of that on Invalid Pensions to Union Soldiers.

THE detailed statistics of the British Board of Trade return for November have not yet reached us, but the London *Times* says they show results very similar to those of the past few months, a decline in values, accompanied by a fair increase in quantities. Taking the returns as a whole, however, the *Times* says they must be deemed satisfactory, "the population generally obtaining articles of domestic consumption, with few exceptions, at lower prices, and manufacturers being enabled to supply themselves with raw materials at such rates that, with the comparatively moderate wages now ruling, all that seems necessary is some slight stimulus to enable a good trade to be done in the course of the next few months."

WE DOUBT the good sense of those well-meaning people who have just adjourned at Boston after making another loud appeal to the country to put "GOD in the Constitution;" which means, perhaps, quite as much as it means anything else, putting the preachers into Congress. Pope PIUS and his cardinals take a short cut and declare the decrees of the Vatican infallible, but this is not the case with the Constitution of the United States. Probably the movers have not reflected that even if they should succeed in getting the name of GOD into our fundamental law, it is not at all unlikely that, under the usual process of amendment, it might eventually be voted out again. These attempts to make the Deity the subject of political and parliamentary experiments, however well intended, are neither reverent nor wise.

VIRGINIA appears to consider herself out of the Union, yet. A Democratic Senator of that State, named GRAHAM, some time ago received $1,700 for procuring the appointment of a cadet; a portion of which money, he caused it to be understood, was handed over by him to Representative STOWELL, a Congressman from the same State. This is denied by the latter, and GRAHAM bluntly refuses to appear before the investigation committee to testify, on the ground that, being a member of the Legislature of the sovereign State of Virginia, attending to his duties, he is not bound to respond to the process of the Congress of the United States. The fellow probably lied in his statement as to the disposal of the money, and is too great a coward to acknowledge it. But his contumelious subterfuge should not for a moment be allowed to screen him. He should be yanked before the committee by the nape of the neck, if necessary.

SPIRITUALISM AND MR. R. D. OWEN.

Paris is just now favored with the presence of a spiritual medium named ENRIQUE MATO, who is believed to possess transcendent powers. This reputation, however, MATO has not acquired in the French capital, but brought it with him from the island of Cuba, where his performances were of the most amazing character. Shortly before leaving Havana, at one of his seances he summoned the spirit of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, and by the phenomena exhibited, "the spectators, though all men to whom fear is a stranger, were deeply agitated." It must have been awful. This Mr. MATO seems worthy of particular mention on account of the definiteness and precision of his views on the subject of spirits. He is not one of those dreamy, foggy, uncertain speculators, who seek first to excite and then to puzzle rational curiosity by affecting ignorance of the very questions which inquisitive minds most eagerly desire to have answered. As to some of those subjects Senor MATO's mind appears quite made up. Spirits, he affirms, when separated from the body hover for awhile betwixt the earth and the moon. The duration of this intermediate period is determined in each case by the habits of the spirit while a dweller in the flesh, in other words, by its piety or impiety, its virtue or its vice. And by the same considerations the final abode of the spirit is determined. Every spirit is assigned to one or another of the planets of the solar system as its final abode, Uranus being the place which the preacher celebrated by POPE never mentioned to "ears polite." Some American spiritualists will be displeased to learn, that, according to Senor MATO's information, spirits when once placed in the planets to which their deserts entitle them, are never more permitted to visit or have any relations with the inhabitants of earth. To this general rule, however, it should seem that there are occasional exceptions. At least the reporter of Mr. MATO's teachings understood him to claim that he succeeded in interviewing "spirits from the stellar abodes." It is possible that the extreme rigor with which orthodoxy is enforced in Havana may have had some influence in modifying his statements.

It is useless to say that such babble is not worth repeating or thinking about. However contemptible or unworthy of notice at first, the spiritualist superstition has spread until at this moment it undoubtedly occupies the minds of millions of men and women. Persons exposed by natural constitution or by circumstances to such influences, are everywhere interested in the subject, and if not already devotees, are prepared to embrace the first opportunity of becoming such. The most civilized and advanced nations appear to be most open to the infection. It is in England and the United States that the delusion meets with most favor and is most rapidly extending, but it is slowly making way in most countries of Christendom. Indeed, there is some reason to believe that the stir and talk caused by it afford no sufficient indication of the progress of the superstition in any part of the world. For those persons who are not disgusted and repelled by it from the first, by its so-styled facts and suggestions, it seems to have a peculiar fascination. Once fascinated, they desire to find its pretensions well founded, with an eagerness of credulity which no absurdities revolt, and which hardly any exposure suffices to overcome. Persons of widely different characters and degrees of intelligence seem almost equally attracted by its revelations; persons of the class who have never ceased and never will cease to believe in ghosts, because they cherish the notions and traditions which favor their appearance, and persons who indulge longings to gain some glimpses of the invisible world. They long for positive evidence of immortality, follow in imagination departed friends and try to form some distinct conception of their unseen conditions. Mrs. BROWNING may be mentioned as an example of one who was thus led to accept the spiritualist superstition with all its repulsive features, and when one recollects what she was, one need not wonder that feebler intellects are befooled by the mystery. The fact probably is that many having admitted the imposture to dominion over them, speedily cease to perceive its real characteristics. They idealize it and mould its features to the requirements of their own mind and heart. It is a very common metamorphosis: the lover does not more uniformly "see HELEN's beauty in a brow of Egypt" than the devotee transforms his creed or his deity. Be that as it may, probably thousands, and some say millions, privately cherish the spiritualist delusion, who shrink from ridicule of themselves, without feeling that general ridicule of or contempt for their ghostly creed in the least affects its claims upon them.

Mr. ROBERT DALE OWEN has manifestly long felt that he has received the high calling of an apostle of the faith. He is clearly one of the truest and most sincere of men; and nobody can read his writings on the subject without receiving the impression that he was gradually drawn into the superstition by its promises of light concerning matters of immense moment to him, matters upon which he had brooded with hopeless longings. It is equally clear from his works that he has either never seen or refused to know the darker, depraved sides of human nature. This truth is *naively* betrayed in his last letter touching the KATIE KING imposition. Mrs. HOLMES, with solemn oaths protesting innocence of a proved wrong revealed a "phase of human nature completely novel to him!" Still, however, he retains faith in the HOLMES couple as powerful mediums, and even believes that the genuine KATIE KING may have been seen through their agency. And doubtless Mr. OWEN will continue his spiritualistic apostleship with zeal more earnest and self-denying than ever. He sees that the delusion has received a terrible blow, and that the good cause calls for a renewal of self-devotion and energy on the part of its adherents. Such and only so much is the result of the exposure at Philadelphia in so far as the ablest and most influential expositor and propagator of the superstition is directly concerned. But, indirectly, other results may be looked for. Heretofore, a great many of Mr. OWEN's readers have been unable to believe in his simplicity and gullibility. Though in writing, especially of late, he often writes twaddle, he has considerable power of statement, and this, in connection with his evident honesty, makes his writing somewhat influential in commending its subject to public attention. Many find difficulty in rejecting phenomena so honestly alleged and so plausibly presented. In future, so long as the KATIE KING imposture shall be remembered in its details, no person of sense, however predisposed to admit superstitious delusions, can place any confidence in Mr. OWEN as an investigator. His books may be read for their more or less amusing gossip, but as arguments in favor of spiritualism they are harmless.

BLACK for Senator, in Pennsylvania, Senator Eaton, in Connecticut, Voorhees for Senator in Indiana, Wood for Speaker! Democracy is surely and systematically building on the old foundations. We begin to see ways and means by which the "restored and undefiled Constitution" is to be brought back again.—*Buffalo Commercial.*

Add to these signs and portents the decision of the Supreme Court of Indiana, throwing colored children out of school; the passage of peonage laws in Arkansas, Georgia and Texas; the closing of the free schools in the former State and the wholesale sweeping away of all the constitutional guarantees against class legislation, secession and the assumption of the rebel debt—the slaughter at Coushatta and at Vicksburg, and other damnable iniquities which are filtering out of the Southern question day by day—and the "ways and means" alluded to by our contemporary will assume a yet more suggestive significance.

PERSONAL.

Consul-General Badeau, at London, intends shortly to take to himself a commander-in-chief.

Senator Ferry, who went to Washington expecting to remain during the present session, has gone to his home in Connecticut seriously ill.

John Bull is so jealous of our reception of the King of Hawaii that the Sultan of Zanzibar is to be cleaned up and clothed for a visit to England.

Some one writes the Philadelphia *Bulletin* that Katie King originated in Toledo, and first materialized there. But the Toledoans were too "smart" for her. They exposed her, and then she traveled in towns where they are less bright.

The *fac simile* letter purporting to have been addressed by one of the kidnappers of Charlie Ross to a gentleman who was negotiating for his return, and published in the New York *Herald* a few days ago, proves to be an infamous forgery.

During the Yellow Stone expedition of 1873, Dr. Honsinger and Mr. Bolivar, of the party, were murdered. A few days ago the murderer, a Chief of the Uncopapas band of Sioux, named "Rain in the Face," was arrested at "Standing Rock" and taken in irons to Fort Lincoln.

Mr. Henry Washington, cousin to the Father of his country, died at Shreveport, La., on Monday week last, aged eighty years. He had only recently arrived in Shreveport, where he entertained the idea of following the profession of surveyor, a calling he had practiced for many years in Washington City.

James Wylie, a Scotchman, otherwise known as the "herd laddie," has been making a triumphal procession through the United States and Canada with his chequer-board. Hitherto his career has been unchequered, the "wiley chiel" having beaten everybody who came in his way. How many drafts he may have drawn is not stated, but they are presumed to be considerable.

Apropos of the recent centennial celebration of the Boston tea-party, the following inscription on a tombstone in the Wellsburg (West Virginia) cemetery, is particularly interesting. It was copied a few days ago: "Captain Oliver Brown, of the Artillery of the Massachusetts Line, Revolutionary War—born in Lexington, Massachusetts, 1752. He stood in front of the first cannon fired by the British on the Americans in the affray at Lexington—witnessed the tea-party in Boston harbor—was at the battle of Bunker Hill—commissioned by Congress 16th of January, 1776—commanded the volunteer party that bore off the leaden statue of King George from the Battery of New York, and made it into bullets for the American army—bore a conspicuous part in command of artillery at the battles of White Plains, Harlem Heights, Princeton, Trenton, Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. After serving his country, he enlisted in the armies of the Son of God, and surrendered to the last *Enemy* on the 17th of February, 1846, in the full assurance of a never-ending peace."

A marvelous development. In 1870 the assessment of Colorado Territory was $16,778,005; in 1871 it was $24,112,078; in 1872 it was $31,260,257; in 1873 it was $35,582,439; and this year it is $41,393,086.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

BANCROFT'S HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES. Vol. X. Published by Little, Brown & Company, Boston. For sale by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

While this volume is the tenth of the series, it is the fourth of the History of the American Revolution, and completes that momentous period, from 1778 to the conclusion of the Peace negotiations with Great Britain in 1782. It was an epoch unequaled, except, perhaps, by the late civil war. This history, virtually the work of a life time, gives abundant evidence of the painstaking care of the distinguished author. The purity of style, its luminousness and beauty of language, renders it equal to an English classic. It is worthy of note, the extent, important and rare opportunities Mr. Bancroft had to consult original documents, accessible to comparatively but few persons. This fact enhances the value of the work. After patient and exhaustive labor, during which an immense number of documents have been carefully examined, we have therefore in this volume the fruits of years of toil. So completely and conclusively have the points of history been stated, that it will be regarded as a guide to future historians. In the preparation of the work Mr. Brancroft gives undoubted evidence of his thorough American ideas. He regarded the policy of foreign nations as an essential element in the establishment of American Independence. Important historical points are seen more clearly than ever before, from the facts brought to light by this distinguished author. The general merits of the history are so generally known, that it is unnecessary to give a more extended notice of it at this time. There is a hardness and conciseness in the language employed by Mr. Bancroft that is visible throughout, so that each sentence is rounded up perfectly, that rarely a word is wanting, or an unnecessary expression introduced. It is a model in this respect. Also, for sale, by S. A. Clark & Co., Pittsburgh.

THE SCOTTISH PHILOSOPHY. Biographical, Expository, Critical. From Hutcheson to Hamilton. By Rev. James McCosh, LL.D., D.D., President of the College of New Jersey, Princeton. Published by Robert Carter & Brothers, New York. For sale by W. W. Waters, 196 Penn avenue, Pittsburgh.

It must be conceded that President McCosh is admirably qualified to grapple with a subject which assails the sophistries of the German materialistic writers, and envelopes the minds of so many English-speaking scholars of the day, that it is gratifying to have the sober and substantial philosophy of old Scotland reproduced in such an attractive and convincing form. In these sketches of distinguished scholars and writers of Scotland, the author has discussed the question from the standpoint that the philosophy of Scotland is part of the history of the country. While some of the articles have appeared in foreign quarterly reviews, most of the material has never been published, and the whole has been carefully rewritten. This work is invaluable in many respects, and ministers and teachers of all denominations should procure it. Dr. McCosh is peculiarly gifted for the preparation of a work of this character, and he is as safe a guide to follow as he is learned and qualified to lead and govern minds under him. Carters have printed the book in beautiful style, and robed it in a modest, Quaker-like garb. We hope the volume will be widely circulated.

THE LIFE AND TIMES of Rev. Gerge Peck, D.D. Written by Himself. Published by Nelson & Phillips, New York. For sale by Dr. J. Horner, 129 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh.

Dr. Peck's wonderful career as a minister, for more than half a century, is as much a part of the history of the country, especially of the early times in the Eastern portion of this State, and the district of New York State bordering on our State line, as of the denomination of which he has been has been an honored minister and member for over sixty years. Although the venerable Doctor is now on the verge of four score years, this autobiography shows the vigor of his cultured mind. It is, therefore, as much a history of the "Times," in view of its civil and religious historical facts, as a "Life" of this minister. For fifty-seven years he was an effective minister, during which time he was for sometime in charge of educational institutions, twelve years editor of important Church publications, and much of his pastoral life was in the responsible office of Presiding Elder. He was thirteen times elected delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the highest ecclesiastical body, which meets every four years. Perhaps he is the only living minister who has been so honored. Besides his official and ministerial life, he was the author of several important books. In 1836 he received almost votes enough to elect him a bishop. In the fall of 1838 he and his wife started on a Western journey, leaving Wilkesbarre, Pa., by canal packet, and after a tedious journey of *six days*, reached Pittsburgh, and for a while were the guests of the late James Borbidge, who formerly lived on St. Clair (now Sixth) street, of this city. He says: "Here we learned to our consternation that the Ohio was so low that it was not navigable. Three thousand travelers, it was estimated, were gathered in the city, waiting for the moving of the waters. We were detained there three weeks." Rather a sorry picture for Pittsburgh. Finally they got off, and after serious mishaps by the ice, reached Wheeling in several days, changing boats twice in ninety-six miles. It is a delightful autobiography, and has the flavor of romance. The publishers have gotten up the book in fine style.

TALKS WITH GIRLS. By Augusta Larned. Published by Nelson & Phillips, New York. For sale by J. Horner, Methodist Book Depository, Smithfield street, Pittsburgh.

No young girl can read these "Talks" without learning something they never knew before, and receiving solid instruction. They are not of the namby-pamby style, but sensible, wholesome, pure and sweet-spirited. These "Talks" are not lectures, such as a matron far up in the decade of years might be apt to give, but they are of a sisterly type, full of heart sympathy, cheering, hopeful. Miss Larned does not talk to girls, but *with* them, as though she was one of a circle of young girls. Girls anywhere from ten to twenty years can join in the "Talks." Forty different topics are embodied, covering the entire range of things which enter into girl-life. It is a book fit for every family circle.

GLAUCIA, A STORY OF ATHENS IN THE FIRST CENTURY. By Emma Leslie. Illustrated. Published by Nelson & Phillips, New York. For sale by Joseph Horner, Pittsburgh.

This charming story is the history of a young Greek slave girl, of the Church of the period of St. Paul, and vividly presents the difficulties with which early Christians had to contend. We have also a graphic sketch of many of the manners and customs of both Rome and Athens, at the time Paul was a prisoner at Rome. It will strengthen young Christians to read such books, and those who are not pious will get an idea of the power of grace over trials and persecutions. The work ought to be in every Sunday School library in the land and family circle.

A FOREGONE CONCLUSION. By W. D. Howells, author of "Their Wedding Journey," etc. Published by James R. Osgood & Co., Boston. For sale by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

Those who have read Mr. Howells' "Venetian Life," will be reminded of the delicious flavor of that story, by the perusal of "A Foregone Conclusion." Upon the basis of Venice he weaves in this romance a story that sparkles with bright fancies and crystal passages. The plot is simple and comprises four central characters, each outlined in the most graceful manner. In the unfolding of the story there is much of the daintiness of words and thought so peculiar to Mr. Howells' writings, and yet there is a power and vigor of style wrought in the fabric of this story, that leaves a strong impression upon the mind of the reader. The outline of each character stands boldly out from the picture. It is a powerful romance and will go far towards placing the author's name up still higher in literary circles.

POEMS OF THE FARM AND FIRESIDE. By Eugene J. Hall, author of "Stories of a Winter Night," etc. Published by Jansen, McClurg & Co., Chicago. For sale by R. S. Davis & Co., Pittsburgh.

There is much in these poems of the "Farm and Fireside," which rouses the better nature of the reader, and awakens pleasant pictures of home life. The modest pretensions of the author completely disarms criticism, and whatever defects there may appear of artistic finish, most of the pieces are the more worthy for the recognition and sympathy for the wants of the masses. There is a nobility of mind even among the toilers of the land too often overlooked, and for this reason we like the flavor of these poems, because they smell of the field and forest, as well as portray the inner life of society at the fireside. Most of the cuts are fine specimens of wood art, and the binding is rich without being gaudy. It is a very sensible gift book, which cannot be said of a good many of this class.

PETER, THE APPRENTICE. An Historical Tale of the Reformation in England. By the author of "Faithful, but not Famous," etc. Published by Nelson & Phillips, New York. For sale by J. Horner, Pittsburgh.

The plot of this interesting story is laid in London, though the characters represent all classes of English society. It is in the time of Henry VIII., at a period of great persecution, and the story shows the victory of persons in humble life over the errors of Romanism. Peter Coppin, apprentice, became the subject of divine grace, and was persecuted, and illustrated in his life and subsequent death the triumphant power of the Gospel. Many of these incidents are historical facts, which adds to the interest of the book.

MORE BED-TIME STORIES. By Louisa Chandler Moulton, author of "Bed-Time Stories," etc. Published by Roberts Brothers, Boston. For sale by S. A. Clarke & Co., Pittsburgh.

Few writers combine so much delicacy of sentiment and felicity of expression in writing for the young, as Mrs. Moulton. The first series of "Bed-Time Stories" were gems in their way, and this volume, if anything, surpasses the first, and the verdict of the young people will bear us out in this opinion. There is a degree of reality and truthfulness about these little stories, that will impress young minds. Parents will do well to place such books in the hands of their children.

THE MAN IN THE MOON, and Other People. By R. W. Raymond. Published by J. B. Ford & Co., New York. For sale by S. A. Clarke & Co. Pittsburgh. Price $2 00.

This is a charming gift book for the holiday season. It is square 16 mo., extra cloth, beveled boards, handsome guilt and ink stamped sides, guilt edges. There are about a score of tip-top stories in Mr. Raymond's graceful style. They embrace Fairy stories, Wonder stories, Christmas, stories, Thanksgiving stories and others of a similar character. They are bright and cheery and just the thing for young folk. The illustrations add to the beauty of the book. Mature readers will find much to admire in these stories.

MISCHIEF'S THANKSGIVING. By Susan Coolidge, author of "What Katy Did," etc. Published by Roberts Brothers, Boston. For sale by S. A. Clarke & Co., Pittsburgh.

Our young friends who have read "What Katy Did," and other works of this delightful story writer, will readily imagine the beauties of this little volume. The text and illustrations are in full harmony, and while there is a vein of rollicking humor in this story, there are underlying lessons of morality and right doing. It ought to have a wide sale at this season of the year.

GIPSY'S TRAVELS. By Josephine Pollard. Published by Nelson & Phillips, New York. For sale by J. Horner, Pittsburgh.

Young persons will admire the dash of the author. There are many things to commend in this story of the "Gipsy's Travels," and the author has made it so attractive that the attention of the reader is held from beginning to end. It is a fit book for the Sunday School.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

"From hill to hill, like sentinels,
The bells responsive cry,
And sing the birth-day of the Lord
From vale to mountain high."

Are you all ready for Christmas? Have you anticipated the wants of the poor?

The New York *Herald* has got "new heads" for its editorials. Now let it get new brains.

Colorado is like a miss at her school examination, anxiously waiting to see if she will "pass."

The Louisville *Ledger* makes a great mistake when it reminds us that it is still above ground.

That Irish Home Ruler, Dr. Butt, is coming here to lecture. We shall have to make a butt of him.

George Alfred Townsend has suppressed the signature of "Gath." Who will now suppress Townsend?

It turns out that the national Hawaiian hymn is none other than the inspiring air of the Mulligan Guards.

The Mormons of Utah propose to emigrate *en masse* to Mexico. Such, at least, is the rumor in the latter country.

Down-hill business. A Binghamton, New York, firm has manufactured, thus far this season, 23,000 children's sleds.

A Southern Democratic editor thinks that "all the fools in America visit Europe." When did he return—or is he just going?

We hear of contributions for the relief of the famine-stricken people of the far West, almost everywhere except in our own city.

Chicago is frantically trying to discover means of consuming the smoke of furnace chimneys in some way better than inhalation.

Let Congressmen think of it. It has been decided by a Virginia court that boys have no right to roll one another in the mud.

If there really be any hygienic similarity between the human stomach and the brain, then the *Post* is afflicted with chronic dyspepsia.

The National Butter and Egg Association offer seven hundred dollars in prizes for practical and scientific essays on butter and eggs.

From bad to worse. Ex-Governor Warmouth, of Louisiana, has become the owner of the White League New Orleans *Picayune*.

The Supreme Court of Iowa has just decided that a debtor may recover all money paid for liquor sold in that State in violation of law.

Dubuque, Iowa, has a living man with two ounces of his brain gone. But Pittsburgh has a Democratic editor with all the brain gone.

Thirty-four out of the thirty-six telegraphic wires in use between Boston and New York were carried down by a storm last Monday evening.

Mexico declares that there is no foundation for the report that negotiations for a cession of any part of its territory to Germany are going forward.

Significant. Every Democratic Senator who has yet spoken in the United States Senate on the District of Columbia question, has opposed suffrage there.

The Syracuse, New York, University is in luck. It has had $175,000 secured to it since last June, which places its present endowment at about $800,000.

The Baltimore *American* has been sued for libel by Judge Yellat. That paper undertook to yell at the Judge a charge that offenders got off easily in his court.

An asylum for indigent, debilitated, nervous people who are not insane, is a novelty in this country, but one is shortly to be established in Massachusetts.

A growing trade. Chicago has imported direct from the producing countries during this year, up to December 1, 24,230 half-chests of Japan teas, and 7,350 half-chests of green.

Those two Californians, Flood and O'Brien, who are now, by reason of rises in the value of mining stocks, richer than Jones and Sharon, commenced life as bartenders.

The iron manufactures of Newark, N. J., aggregate an annual product valued at $7,062,000, and distribute weekly wages amounting to $45,210 among 3,759 employees.

The latest thing in human pisciculture is the gosselin vest. It enables its possessor to walk comfortably upon the sea, and to paddle his own canoe like a first-class porpoise.

The associated anthracite coal companies are conferring together for the purpose of arranging matters for next year's business. The general impression is that prices will be reduced.

The Buffalo Board of Trade has adopted resolutions in favor of a reduction of canal tolls to half a mill per mile per thousand pounds of grain, and one-half the present rate on lumber.

One thousand cheeses, weighing from 300 to 600 pounds each, one weighing over 1,200 pounds, and one weighing 2,200 pounds, were shipped from New York to England one day last week.

It is affirmed that one hundred per cent. per annum on the capital invested in developed mines, taking the poorest with the best paying, is less than the average profit realized in California.

Isn't it amazing that so many people who find the fundamental principles of the Christian religion too much for them, accept the juggleries of "spiritists" without any difficulty whatever?

Luminous. A Cincinnati plaintiff states that the horse and wagon and harness claimed by him in his action "*is a black mare* with a small white star on her forehead and some little white on back hoofs. She is about fourteen hands *tall* and small frame worth $100. The wagon is atop two spring wagon with *patten wheals*."

A Valuable Medical Treatise.

The edition for 1875 of the sterling Medical Annual, known as Hostetter's Almanac, is now ready, and may be obtained, free of cost, of druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the United States and British America, and indeed in every civilized portion of the Western Hemisphere. This Almanac has been issued regularly at the commencement of every year for about one-fifth of a century. It combines, with the soundest practical advice for the preservation and restoration of health, a large amount of interesting and amusing light reading, and the calendar, astronomical calculations, chronological items, &c., are prepared with great care, and will be found entirely accurate. The issue of Hostetter's Almanac for 1875 will probably be the largest edition of a medical work ever published in any country. The proprietors, Messrs. Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., on receipt of a two cent stamp, will forward a copy by mail to any person who cannot procure one in his neighborhood.

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Have Marked Down the Prices of their Large Stock of Dry Goods with a view to Close Out, preparatory to Removing to their New Store in the Fall.
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The Stock is now Complete in Every Department.
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Fancy Dress Goods, from 25c to 15c per yard.
James Caldwell & Co., 118 and 120 Federal St., Allegheny.

BANK STATEMENT.

Thirty-Ninth Semi-Annual Report OF THE Dollar Savings Bank,
124 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

LIABILITIES.

Amount Due Depositors December 1, 1874	$3,681,956 57
Dividends Due December 1, 1874	102,165 99
Contingent Fund	170,268 52
Total Liabilities	$3,954,391 08

ASSETS.

Loans on Bonds and Mortgages	$2,729,962 97
Mortgage Interest Due	15,513 00
Bills Receivable	4,000 00
Stock in Pittsburgh Banks	71,634 04
U. S. 5-20 Bonds, 1868	350,000 00
U. S. Six Per Cent. Bonds, 1881	50,000 00
U. S. Six Per Cent. Currency Bonds	400,000 00
Real Estate	148,782 08
Bank Furniture, Safe, &c.	13,071 95
Cash in Banks and on Hand	174,427 04
Total Assets	$3,954,391 08

Present Number of Depositors 9,503, averaging $398 20 each, December 1st, 1874.
The undersigned Auditing Committee respectfully report that they have examined the Treasurer's Report for the last six months, ending November 30th, 1874, and have examined the Assets of the Bank consisting of Bonds and Mortgages, Deeds of Real Estate, Certificates of Bank Stocks, Bills Receivable, U. S. 5-20 Bonds, 1868, U. S. Six Per Cent. Bonds, 1881, U. S. Six Per Cent. Currency Bonds, and the Cash in Bank and on hand, and find the same to correspond with the above report.
P. H. HUNKER,
J. J. GILLESPIE,
H. J. LYNCH,
MALCOLM HAY,
Auditing Committee.
The Trustees have declared a Dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT. for the last six months, ending November 30th, 1874, free of Government tax, and payable forthwith. If not drawn will bear interest from 1st inst.
CHAS. A. COLTON, Treasurer.
Pittsburgh, December 18, 1874.

PROPOSALS.

ALLEGHENY ARSENAL, PITTSBURGH, PA., December 21, 1874.
PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BEEF.
SEALED PROPOSALS in duplicate for supplying the Troops at this Post with FRESH BEEF for six months, commencing the 1ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1875, will be received by the undersigned until 10 o'clock A. M. DECEMBER 28TH, 1874.
The names of two reliable bondsmen will be required with the proposals.
The Beef must be of the best quality, from the highest grade of Cattle—Necks, Shanks and Suet excluded, and is subject to inspection by the proper Agent of the Subsistence Department.
All further particulars may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.
O. E. MICHEALIS, Captain of Ordnance, A. C. S.

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THE STANDARD BAKING POWDER
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Dooley's Yeast Powder Is put up in Tin Cans of various sizes, suitable for Families, Boarding Houses, Hotels Restaurants and River, Lake and Ocean Vessels on short or long voyages.
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Veils and Veilings of all kinds.
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Terms made known on day of sale.

CHASTINA BEALL, Administratrix.
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THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between the undersigned, is this day dissolved by limitation and mutual consent. Business settled by new firm.

FRANCIS SELLERS,
JAS. L. DUNSEATH.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS day formed a Copartnership under the name and style of

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, December 23, 1874.

The activity and life of the streets and the shops of the retail dealers is in sharp contrast with the extreme dullness in monetary circles. As a rule the banks are doing very little, and were it not for the "looks of the thing" they might as well remain closed till Monday morning when they shut their doors to-morrow evening, keeping one person on hand to certify maturing notes that may be presented for payment.

—The stock market has remained steady in price throughout the day, and quotations are higher as a rule than last evening. The probabilities are in favor of higher prices. The question to be answered by operators is whether the market has not already reached the lowest point, and whether the general situation is not one to elicit confidence. It is certainly true that the West is in better shape than at any time for some years past; the South has a rich crop of cotton to dispose of, in most of the manufacturing districts the contest between owners and workmen has resulted in favor of the former and the running time of factories is being lengthened. Those who operate in iron oil, grain and coal, and enter into contracts with the future on the basis of present values, must win a rich harvest. The country, must continue to develope and from month to month grow richer. The record of our foreign trade is a very favorable one, showing that we are learning to depend on ourselves. The wonderful recuperative powers of the French people, which has enabled them to pay an enormous war indemnity, and place the finances of their nation on a specie basis, is the result of the consumption of home products, the refusal to purchase supplies abroad, and the long instilled habits of personal economy. Both of these lessons our people are rapidly learning, and the result must tell in the final summing up in favor of the increased wealth of the individual and the nation.

—We present below some facts of interest regarding the Clearing House Association of this city:

The Pittsburgh Clearing House is composed of the following banks, which are officially numbered as follows:

No. 1. Bank of Pittsburgh.
No. 2. Exchange National Bank.
No. 3. Merchants and Manufacturers' National Bank.
No. 4. Citizens' National Bank.
No. 5. Iron City National Bank.
No. 6. Mechanics' National Bank.
No. 7. Allegheny National Bank.
No. 8. First National Bank.
No. 9. Second National Bank.
No. 10. Third National Bank.
No. 11. Farmers' Deposit National Bank.
No. 12. Union National Bank.
No. 13. Peoples' National Bank.
No. 14. German National Bank.
No. 15. First National Bank of Allegheny City.
No. 16. Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce.
No. 17. Messrs. N. Holmes & Sons.
No. 18. Tradesman's National Bank.

These banks have until one o'clock to report on the checks against them in the Clearing House; if not returned by that hour they must stand paid.

Below is a list of the other banks represented in the Clearing House, whose checks are regularly cleared, but who are not members of the association. The list gives the name of the bank through which the clearing is made, and the hour at which checks must be reported on if not good.

Anchor Savings Bank, Pittsburgh, clears through the First National Bank, Pittsburgh, subject to return by 1 P. M. same day.
American Bank, Farmers' Deposit National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M. same day.
Artisans' Bank, Tradesman's National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M. same day.
Allegheny Savings Bank, Allegheny National Bank, Pittsburgh, 2½ P. M. same day.
Allegheny Real Estate Bank, First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Allegheny Trust Co., First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Arsenal Bank, National Bank of Commerce, 11 A. M. next day.
Allegheny Homestead Bank, Farmers' Deposit National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Bank of Industry, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Braddocks Trust Co., First National Bank, Pittsburgh, 2 P. M. next day.
Central Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Commercial Banking Co., Farmers' Deposit National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Commercial Banking Co., McKeesport, Exchange National Bank, 2 P. M. next day.
City National Bank, First National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
City Deposit Bank and Trust Co., National Bank of Commerce, 1 P. M. next day.
Diamond Savings Bank, M. & M. National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Duquesne Bank, Exchange National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Diamond Savings Bank, Allegheny, First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Dollar Savings Bank, Allegheny, Citizens' National Bank, Pittsburgh, 2½ P. M. same day.
Enterprise Savings Bank, Allegheny, German National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
First Pitt Banking Company, Citizens National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Freehold Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Fifth Avenue Bank, Tradesman's National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Franklin Savings Bank, Allegheny, Union National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Farmers and Mechanics' Savings Bank, Sharpsburg, Allegheny National Bank, 2 P. M. next day.
Farmers and Mechanics' Bank, Birmingham, Third National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
First National Bank, Birmingham, Farmers' Deposit National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
German American Bank, Iron City National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
German Savings Bank, Allegheny, Third National Bank, 2½ P. M. same day.
German Savings and Deposit Bank, Birmingham, German National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Girard Savings Bank, Allegheny, First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Hoboken Savings Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Hart, Caughey & Co., Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
International Bank, German National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Iron and Glass Dollar Savings Bank, Birmingham, Mechanics National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Keystone Bank, First National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Lawrence Savings Bank, Union National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Liberty Improvement Bank, Citizens' National Bank, 1 P. M. next day.
Masonic Deposit Savings Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Metropolitan Bank, Tradesman's National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
M. L. I. and Improvement Trust Co., Iron City National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Monongahela Savings Bank, Peoples' National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Manchester Savings Bank, Allegheny, Allegheny National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Nation's Bank for Savings, First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Odd Fellows' Savings Bank, First National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M. same day.
Peoples' Savings bank, M. & M. National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Peoples' Savings Bank, Allegheny, Farmers Deposit National Bank, 2½ P. M. same day.
People's Savings Bank, McKeesport, First National Bank, 2 P. M. next day.
Penn Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Park Savings Bank, Allegheny, First National Bank, Allegheny, 2½ P. M. same day.
Pittsburgh Savings Bank, First National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M. same day.
R. Patrick & Co., Peoples National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M.
Robinson Bros., M. & M. National Bank, Pittsburgh, 1 P. M. same day.
Real Estate Loan and Trust Co., Allegheny, Third National Bank, Pittsburgh, 2½ P. M. same day.
Shoe and Leather Bank, National Bank of Commerce, 1 P. M. same day.
Smithfield Savings Bank, Union National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Semple & Jones, M. & M. National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
St. Clair Banking Co., Citizens' National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Second National Bank, Allegheny, Farmers' Deposit National Bank, 2½ P. M. same day.
South Side Savings Bank, Birmingham, Allegheny National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
United Savings Bank, Exchange National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
United States Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Union Savings and Deposit Bank, Birmingham, Allegheny National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Western Savings Bank, Citizens' National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
Weekly Savings Bank, Allegheny National Bank, 1 P. M. same day.
West End Savings Bank, Tradesman's National Bank, 1 P. M. next day.
Wood's Run Savings and Loan Association, Farmers' Deposit National Bank, 11 A. M. next day.
Workingmens' Savings Bank, Allegheny, Union National Bank, 2½ P. M. same day.

—The new seven per cent. bonds issued by the Allegheny Valley Railroad in accordance with the arrangements recently made, have been placed in the hands of the creditors. The market value of these bonds has been variously estimated by different parties. The first transaction that we have heard of tending to establish their quotable price, took place to-day. In this transaction, $28,000 of these bonds were taken as payment for a heavy purchase of iron, at 75 per cent. of their face, which, until further dealings in the same securities shall have taken place, may be accepted as a quotation of their market value.

—The following table shows the price of gold, Government bonds, railway stocks, etc., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day. Furnished by the St. Clair Banking Company, No. 16 Sixth street:

December 23, 1874.	10:30 A. M	11:30 A. M	12:30 P. M	1:30 P. M	2:30 P. M
Gold	111½	111½	111½	111½	111½
U. S. 6's, 1881	....	....	....	....	117⅝
U. S. 6's, 1881, coup	120⅞	....	....	....	121⅛
5-20's, 1862	113⅝	....	....	....	113⅝
5-20's, 1864	115⅝	....	....	....	115⅝
5-20's, 1865	117⅛	....	....	....	117⅛
5-20's, 1865, new	119⅝	....	....	....	119⅝
5-20's, 1867, coup	120⅞	....	....	....	121
5-20's, 1867, reg	117⅛	....	....	....	117⅛
5-20's, 1868	120⅝	....	....	....	120⅝
10-40's	113⅝	....	....	....	113⅝
10-40's, coupons	114⅛	....	....	....	114⅛
Currency 6's	117⅝	....	....	....	117⅝
New 5 per cents	113⅜	....	....	....	113
Western Union Tel	....	80⅛	79⅝	79⅝	80⅛
Pacific Mail	....	36⅝	37⅛	36⅝	37⅛
Panama	....	114	....	....	....
Adams Express	....	115⅛	....	115⅛	....
Wells-Fargo Express	....	82⅛	....	82⅛	....
American Express	....	61⅛	....	61⅛	....
United States Exp's	....	62⅛	....	62½	....
New York Central	101	100⅝	....	....	....
Erie	27	....	27	26⅝	26⅝
Michigan Central	....	80⅛	....	80⅛	....
Michigan Southern	80⅝	80⅛	80⅛	80⅛	....
Illinois Central	....	97⅛	....	98	....
Cleveland & Pitts	....	88⅛	....	88	....
Chicago & Northw'n	....	46⅛	46	45⅛	45⅛
Do. preferred	....	62	....	61	....
Rock Island	....	....	....	101⅛	100⅛
St. Paul, common	....	37⅛	37	....	....
Do preferred	....	56⅛	....	56⅛	....
Wabash, common	....	21⅛	23⅛	23⅛	....
Fort Wayne	....	94⅛	....	....	....
Ohio & Mississippi	31⅛	....	31⅛	30⅛	....
Union Pacific	....	35⅛	35⅛	35	35⅛
Harlem	....	127	127⅛	126	....
Hannibal & St. Joe	....	24⅛	....	24½	....
C., C. & I. C.	....	9⅛	....	....	....
Tennessee, old	79	....	....	....	78
Tennessee, new	78	....	....	....	78
South Carolina, Apr.	26	....	....	....	26
South Carolina, July	27	....	....	....	26
Missouri 6's	97	....	....	....	98

—The following is a report of the prices of leading stocks on the Philadelphia Stock Board, as received by wire at noon to-day:

	Bid.	Asked.
Pennsylvania Central, sales	52⅝	....
Pennsylvania Central scrip, sales	10¾	....
Reading	55	....
United Companies of N. Jersey, extra dividend	127½	....
Oil Creek	8½	8⅝
Lehigh Valley	61¼	62
Central Transportation	....	44
Empire Transportation	....	55
P. C. & St. L. mortgage bonds	74¼	....
Gold	....	111½

GENERAL MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, WEDNESDAY, December 23, 1874.

The almost universal report of wholesale dealers and jobbers in nearly every department of trade is one of dullness. The only exceptions are in some lines of trade for which there is an especial seasonable demand, and in one or two instances when wholesalers are cutting prices to stimulate the demand. The impression is however that retailers will not enter the market to any extent until after the 1st of January, when it is hoped there will be a reviving and improving market. Values are generally steady. The most important changes which we note to-day are an improvement of about 1c per bushel on corn and the continued drooping character of quotations for oats.

The New York *Bulletin* says: "We have received from Messrs. Moseback & Humphrey, of Chicago, an interesting exhibit of the tea trade of the West, and a statement of the progress of that city in the direct importation, via San Francisco, of tea from China and Japan, by which it appears that this year, up to December 1st, there had been received in this way 24,200 half chests Japan and 7,350 half chests green, besides consignments from San Francisco of 10,131 half chests Japan, 800 half chests black tea and 3,108 half chests green, in addition to which there had been sales in that market for Chicago, during the time mentioned, of 4,950 half chests Japan and some green tea."

The receipts of the leading articles of produce by rail and river since our last, are as follows:

Flour, bbls	2,716	Apples, bbls	214
Corn, sks	477	Barley, sks	510
Rye, sks	457	Oats, sks	5,186
Butter, pkgs	38	Bacon, pcs	1,022
Bacon, tcs	86	Potatoes, bus	1,960
Hay, bales	390	Eggs, pkgs	95

The following are the receipts of the leading articles of produce during the past two weeks:

	Last week.	This week.	Total
Flour, bbls	10,018	13,233	23,241
Apples, bbls	1,462	1,863	3,325
Cheese, bxs	849	929	1,878
Corn, sks	9,135	5,227	14,362
Wheat, sks	3,547	3,537	7,084
Barley, sks	5,716	6,697	12,413
Rye, sks	1,760	1,219	3,971
Oats, sks	17,042	21,139	38,181
Butter, pkgs	360	335	695
Bacon, pcs	3,737	2,272	6,009
Bacon, tcs	300	521	821
Potatoes, bush	2,430	6,129	8,559
Hay, bales	2,117	2,464	4,581

The following quotations are prices realized on wholesale transactions, unless otherwise specified. On small sales, dealers will charge an advance. Sales of grain, unless stated to the contrary, are free in elevator:

GRAIN, FLOUR AND FEED.

GRAIN—The market continues dull and there is an evident disposition on the part of buyers not to operate until after the holidays. Receipts continue liberal and a large amount of grain is coming in by river, which makes the aggregate receipts 94,397 bushels during the week ending to-day, against 93,000 bushels for the preceding week. There continues to be a liberal attendance at the Corn and Produce Exchange, but owing to the dullness of business, transactions are light. The principal features of the market to-day were the declining tendency of oats and the improvement in the price of corn.

Wheat—The market is steady and unchanged. The past week's receipts are 8,843 bushels, against 8,867 bushels the preceding week. Most of the arrivals are consigned direct to millers. There is no change in prices, and there can hardly be any advance until there is an improvement in the prices of the product. We quote choice Kentucky white wheat at $1 35@1 38 ₱ bushel; extra Michigan white $1 25@1 27; Ohio and Illinois ditto $1 20@1 23; Ohio and Pennsylvania red wheat $1 16@1 18.

Corn—After a weak and declining market throughout the greater part of the past week, the demand for shelled corn improved somewhat, and by Wednesday morning an advance of 1c per bushel was established on the prices of Monday and Tuesday. We note one sale, indeed, as high as 80c ₱ bushel for prime yellow, in elevator, but the general range of the market was at 78c bid, and 79c asked; and sales as low as 77c. We quote high-mixed at 77@79c ₱ bushel; low-mixed 75@76c, with a somewhat decreased stock of shelled offering. Ear is in liberal supply, and transactions are comparatively active at 73@75c ₱ bushel; and most of the dealings at 74@75c. Ear corn on the wharf sold at 71@73c. There has been a decrease in the receipts, which are 13,067 bushels during the past week, against 22,837 bushels for the week previous.

Oats—With a light demand, dealings limited, and increased receipts—amounting to 52,847 bushels during the week, against 42,605 bushels the preceding week,—the market is heavy and the drooping tendency to prices continues. Holders, however, are confident of the future, and make no effort to force sales as, they say, the stock cannot be replaced at present prices, and that there will be an advancing market after the holidays. We note sales of white at 64¼c per bushel, and mixed at 62@63c, and quote at 63@64½c for white; 62@63c for mixed. The dull character of the market is attributed chiefly to the disposition of retailers to reduce both their stocks and their liabilities for the 1st of January settlements.

Barley—Although the receipts are 16,617 bushels the past week, against 14,290 bushels the preceding week, the market is very dull, and there is little doing, most of the arrivals being consigned to brewers directly. There has hardly been enough done to establish quotations, which are nominally as follows: $1 25@1 30 per bushel for No. 3 fall; $1 35@1 40 for No. 2 do; $1 00 for No. 1 do; spring barley is quoted at $1 00@1 30 per bushel.

Rye—There have been rather light receipts of rye during the past week, amounting to 3,023 bushels. The market is steady and unchanged, and is quotable at $1 09@1 12 per bushel.

Sales—The sales in round lots, yesterday and to-day included the following:

2 cars ear corn, on track	73c
1 car ear corn, on track	74c
1 car ear corn, on track	75c
1 car shelled corn, yellow	80c
1 car white oats	64¼c
1 car mixed oats	63c
1 car mixed oats	62½c

FLOUR—The arrivals continue very large, being 13,233 barrels for the past week, against 10,018 barrels for the week preceding. With such a large stock in market, the supply is in excess of the demand, and trade in round lots is slow and unsatisfactory. Many retailers are buying directly from millers, which contributes to the dullness of the wholesale trade. We note a sale of 115 bbls No. 1 red wheat flour at $5 50 per bbl. The following are the wholesale prices of the local millers: No. 1 white wheat flour $7 00 ₱ bbl; No. 1 amber wheat do $6 50; red wheat flour $6 10; in sacks 30c off ₱ bbl. The jobbing prices of leading dealers are as follows: Choice brands of white winter wheat flour $6 00@6 25; Wisconsin $5 75; Minnesota $5 75@6 00; red winter wheat flour $5 75@6 00; rye flour $5 75; Graham flour $5 75; self-raising flour in 6 lb packages, $4 20 ₱ doz packages; corn meal, old $3 75; new $3 40@3 50; oat meal $7 75@8 00.

HAY—The market continues at about former prices, with a slight improvement in the demand, and perhaps a somewhat steadier market. The week's receipts are 2,464 bales, against 2,117 for the week previous. We quote prime timothy, on track, at $22 50@23 50 ₱ ton; No. 2 do $20 00@21 00; inferior $15 00@18 00; baled hay from store is quoted at $24 00@25 00. Loose hay is selling at $28 00@29 00 for No. 1; $25 00@27 00 for No. 2. Straw is quoted at $15 00@16 00 ₱ ton.

MILL FEED—Bran is steady at $1 05@1 10 ₱ cwt; shorts at $1 25@1 35 ₱ cwt; middlings $1 50@1 60 ₱ cwt; chopped feed $1 55@1 65 ₱ cwt; oil meal $1 90@2 00 ₱ cwt.

GROCERIES.

The trade in standard groceries is in most cases, rather slack. Some instances of improvement in the volume of business done, are notable, but generally speaking transactions are limited, and wholesalers and jobbers have made up their minds to wait for the new year before expecting much brisker times, as retailers are determined to keep their stocks down to the lowest possible point until that time. The coffee market is devoid of any particular interest although prospects are considered favorable for renewed activity in this line soon. Refined sugars are easy, but quotably unchanged, New Orleans molasses and sugars are firm and in fair demand. Prices current are unchanged as follows:

Green Coffees. ₱ lb		*Spices.*	
Fancy	23½c	Cloves, ₱ lb	55 c
Choice	23½c	Allspice, ₱ lb	17¼@18¼c
Prime	22 c	Casia ₱ lb	40 @45 c
Good	20 c	Nutmegs, ₱ lb	$1 35@1 40
Java	33 c	Pepper, ₱ lb	27 @28 c
Roasted Coffees.		*Molasses.*	
Rio, in papers	25½@26 c	Strictly ch'c N O	75c
Rio, in bulk	25 @25½c	Prime	70c
Java	37 c	Good	68c
Sugars.		*Syrups.*	
Standard A	10¼c	Ex. white drips	75c
Standard B	10 c	Sugar drips	65c
Standard extra C	10¼c	Lower grades	45@50c
Standard hards	11¼c	*Raisins.*	
Franklin extra C	9¾c	Layers, ₱ bx	$3 40
American extra C	9¾c	Valentia, ₱ lb	11¼c
New Orleans	8½@9½c	Currants	7½c
Teas.		Prunes	13 @13½
Young Hyson	50c@$1 00	*Starch.*	
Gunpowder	50c@1 25	Common	5 c
Imperial	50c@1 00	Silver gloss	9½c
Japan	55c@1 00	Corn	10½c
Oolong	25c@ 85	*Soda.*	
Fancy	1 00	Bi-carb, in 10 lb kgs	6c
Souchong	25c@ 85	Bi-carb, in papers	8c
Rice.		*Candles.*	
Choice Carolina	8¼c	Star, full weight	18c
Patna	7½@8 c	Stearine	15c
Rangoon	7¼c		

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

APPLES—There is no improvement in the demand, which is confined to immediate wants. Receipts continue liberal, and the market is somewhat weaker, though not quotably changed. Transactions are almost entirely in a jobbing way. Extra choice apples are quoted at $2 50 ₱ bbl; $2 00@2 25 for choice; $1 25@1 75 for common to medium. On large sales these prices would be shaded. Receipts for the past two weeks are somewhat increased, being 3,325 barrels.

APPLE BUTTER—The supply is large and somewhat larger than the requirements of the demand. The market is quotable at 55@65c per gallon for prime to choice.

BEANS—There is no particular change to note in the demand for beans which is slack and dull. We quote prime white navy at $2 00@2 25; medium $1 80@1 90; fair to good $1 50@1 70. There is a large stock in first hands and the market is weak.

BUTTER—The demand continues light, the high prices and the stringent times having co-operated to curtail consumption to an almost unknown degree hitherto. We quote at 30@32c for choice; 20@25c for medium 12@15c for common.

BEESWAX—Prime yellow beeswax is quoted at 31@35c ₱ lb, in round lots; sales in a jobbing way are at 38c ₱ lb.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Buckwheat flour is rather easy, and in large supply at $3 50 ₱ cwt; $7 00 ₱ bbl; self-raising buckwheat flour is active, and a good jobbing trade is done; we quote in 6 lb packages at $4 20 ₱ doz packages.

CHEESE—There is little change in the market for cheese, except that there is very little doing at present. Little improvement in the demand is looked for until after the holidays, when dealers hope for better trade and better prices. We quote at 17c ₱ lb for Ohio factory: New York Goshen 17½@18c; Sweitzer 18@19c ₱ lb. Receipts 1,878 bxs for the past two weeks.

EGGS—The market is comparatively steady. We quote at 27@28c ₱ dozen for strictly fresh in barrels; 29@30c in cases; pickled 20@25c. Receipts are liberal, being 95 pkgs yesterday.

CRANBERRIES—Cranberries are in good supply and prices steady with a fair trade. We quote $8 00@10 00 for Western; $10 00@12 00 for Eastern; $14 00 ₱ barrel for Sackett's.

GAME—There continues to be a very large stock, which, being in excess of the demand, crowds prices down to a very low point. We quote as follows: Venison—saddles 16@17c ₱ lb; whole deer 10@12c; prairie chickens $3 50@6 75 ₱ doz; pheasants $3 50@4 00 ₱ doz; quail $1 25@1 50 ₱ doz; wild duck $3 75@4 00; rabbits 25@30c ₱ pair; squirrels 20@25c ₱ pair; wild turkeys $1 25@1 50 each.

HOMINY—The market rules at $4 75@5 00 ₱ barrel.

FEATHERS—Are quoted as follows: No. 1, ₱ lb, 65@70c for round lots; 73@75c in a jobbing way; No. 2, ₱ lb, 20@50c, as to quality.

MINCE MEAT—Is quoted at 10c ₱ lb in a jobbing way.

ONIONS—The market remains quiet and unchanged, with light receipts and a slow demand. We quote at $3 40@3 50 for red; $3 90@4 00 for yellow.

POTATOES—There has been an increase in receipts this week, being 6,129 bushels, against 2,430 for the preceding week. There is not much alteration in the demand, which continues steady at about former prices, and a fair trade in a jobbing way from store is transacted. We quote at 90@95c ₱ bushel for prime peachblows, from store; medium grades 75@85c ₱ bushel.

POULTRY—There is an active trade but a large stock and prices are still very much depressed. We quote jobbing prices as follows: Dressed—chickens 9@10c ₱ lb; turkeys 10@12c; geese 7@8c. Live poultry is in liberal supply but no demand, at nominal quotations of 75c@$1 25 each for turkeys; 35@40c ₱ pair for chickens, and 40@60c each for geese. Drawn poultry rule 1@2c above quotations for dressed.

PRESERVES AND DRIED FRUIT—We quote dried apples at 5@6c ₱ lb; dried blackberries 10c ₱ lb; dried peaches are quoted at 8@9c ₱ lb for choice halves. Apple butter is quoted at 55@65c ₱ gallon; Honey is active and firm at 35c ₱ lb for clover; buckwheat blossom 25c ₱ lb. Medium pickles are quoted at $9 00 ₱ bbl. $5 00 ₱ half barrel.

VINEGAR—The market is dull, and there are few sales. We quote in a jobbing way at 13@15c ₱ gallon for prime; inferior 10@12c.

PROVISIONS.

There is not so much change in the market for provisions here. The downward tendency of the supply markets causes a rather offish feeling here although there has been any very heavy decline as yet. Prices however are somewhat lower. The general feeling of both the buying and selling interest here, is that in view of the heavy packing operations in the West and of the decreased domestic and export demand a very much lower range of prices than the present. The policy pursued here therefore is to carry light stocks and to buy only for immediate consumption. This is apparently the wisest course and it renders the market less fluctuating than it would otherwise be. Quotations rule about as follows:

BACON—The market is easy and prices are somewhat lower. We quote shoulders at 10@10¼c ₱ lb; rib sides are quoted at 13¼@13½c; clear rib sides 14c; clear sides 14¼c.

HAMS—There is a fair supply, and prices are easier. We quote plain sugar cured at 14¼c ₱ lb. Shoulders are scarce at 11c ₱ lb; breakfast bacon is quoted at 14@14¼c; dried beef 14¾@15c; beef tongues, per dozen, $7 50.

MESS PORK—The market is strong and prices are steady. We quote at $22 50 ₱ bbl.

LARD—There is a fair amount of lard coming in and the market is steady. We quote prime lard, refined for summer use, in tierces, ₱ lb, 14¼c; half bbls do 15c; buckets, do 15¼c; in 3-lb caddies, do 17¼c; in 5-lb caddies, do 17c; in 3-lb pails, do 17½c; in 5-lb pails, do 17¼c; in 6-lb do, 17c.

LARD OIL—There is rather a slack inquiry for lard oil, and we quote extra No. 1 winter strained at $1 07@1 10 ₱ gallon.

TALLOW—Sales at 8@9c ₱ lb for choice, and 7@7½c for medium.

DRESSED HOGS—The supply is fair, and prices are tending downward. We quote at 8@8½c ₱ lb.

The Chicago *Commercial Bulletin* gives the following statement of hog-packing at the points named to date, as compared with the corresponding time last year, and the aggregate last season:

	To date, 1874.	To date, 1873.	Aggregate season 1873-'4.
Chicago	858,482	893,865	1,520,024
Cincinnati	295,557	390,000	581,253
St. Louis	275,000	250,000	463,793
Louisville	255,731	220,000	226,947
Milwaukee	142,582	168,576	294,054
Indianapolis	216,000	171,191	295,796
St. Joseph	104,000	60,000	81,642
Cedar Rapids	27,800	32,800	72,810
Sabula	12,610	15,100	31,456

The same paper gives the following as the shipments of provisions from that point for the week ending December 17, 1874, and since November 1, 1874, together with comparison:

Shipments.	Week ending 17th.	Same week 1873.	Since Nov. 1, 1874.	Same period 1873.
Pork, bbls	4,458	4,139	47,324	57,918
Lard, lbs	3,723	2,108	48,958	55,504
*Hams, tcs	2,652	3,659	8,927	14,184
Shoulders, lbs	993,196	743,389	6,493,147	8,813,073
†Middles, lbs	8,074,341	9,788,962	48,860,043	55,328,749

*Green hams shipped for the week 99,191 pieces, against 195,778 pieces the corresponding week last year; since November 1, 1874, 328,968 pieces, against 456,847 pieces the same time last year.
†Includes all cut meats, except shoulders and S. P. hams.

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, WEDNESDAY, December 23, 1874.

REMARKS—The receipts of cattle on Monday and Tuesday were fair, few buyers present and prices draggy.

To-day, however, the receipts were light, and buyers plenty; prices advanced 20 to 25c per cwt. Shippers should be cautious in their purchases, as they may loose the advantage of this advance in prices ere the close of this week's market.

The hog market was demoralized, the run being too heavy for the demand, Philadelphias fetching from $7 00 to $7 25, and Yorkers $6 60 to $6 75. A large number of Cincinnati hogs were on sale at this market this week, bringing prices as to quality and condition.

The supply of sheep was not equal to the demand, and consequently the prices advanced 25 to 50c, but with an increased run next week prices will most likely decline.

Receipts of Live Stock.

The following are the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep for the week ending Wednesday, December 23, by car lots:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Thursday	17	24	1
Friday	76	42	2
Saturday	47	38	6
Sunday	53	38	5
Monday	44	9	3
Tuesday	63	15	15
Wednesday	24	27	18

We may here remark that the average of stock carried in cars is: Cattle, 17; hogs, 175; sheep, 200.

Ruling Prices of the Market.

The following were the ruling prices of the market as established to-day:

CATTLE.

Choice, 1,400 lbs	$6 50@7 00
Choice, 1,300 lbs	6 50@6 75
Choice, 1,200 lbs	6 00@6 25
Choice, 1,100 lbs	5 50@5 75
Choice, 1,000 lbs	5 00@5 25
Bulls	3 50@5 50

HOGS.

Best Philadelphias	$7 25@7 35
Good Yorkers	6 60@6 70
Stags and sows	5 00@6 00

SHEEP.

Extra 100 to 110 lbs	6 00@6 50
Good 90 to 95 lbs	5 25@5 75
Fair 75 to 80 lbs	4 25@4 50
Common 70 to 75 lbs	3 75@3 80

Sales and Purchases of Live Stock.

Below will be found sales of cattle, sheep and hogs, as taken from the books of principal dealers in this market for the week ending today, from which the reader will read glean the ruling of the market.

Cattle.

SADLER, HAVENS & CO. SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
4	3,960	$2 75	19	17,940	$4 50
49	65,880	6 15	19	21,400	3 25
20	20,100	4 75	20	20,250	4 75
4	4,610	6 00	2	2,370	5 50
2	2,770	6 25	2	2,700	6 00
2	2,810	5 25	5	5,270	5 50
17	17,550	6 00	4	4,210	6 00
4	4,150	4 00	3	3,146	3 35
6	6,360	6 25	10	12,200	6 00
1 bull	1,570	3 40	32	37,640	6 00
21	18,010	4 10	35	38,420	5 50
20	17,490	4 10	21	21,740	6 00
14	17,100	6 20	11	13,940	5 50
15	15,890	5 65	2	2,210	6 00
3	3,190	5 87	6	6,340	5 50
14	12,430	4 00	4	4,170	4 25
16	17,750	5 68			

HOLMES, LAFFERTY & GLASS SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
3	3,770	$4 12	65	90,970	$4 75
35	44,380	6 25	16	13,630	3 02
20 cows, per head		33 50	3 cows	3,690	
2	2,050	5 75	16	18,010	6 00
2	21,440	5 00	4	4,330	6 00
14	16,690	6 00	2	2,010	4 50
31	44,150	6 75	80	10,746	6 50
3	3,330	6 00	13	17,330	4 50
2	1,820	4 00	13	11,030	3 75
2 bulls	2,220	4 00	25	19,170	4 15
10	17,060	4 00	3 cows & calves		105 00
25	21,790	4 30	9	8,330	4 90
8	9,560	4 90	2	2,710	4 60
16	18,070	5 25	34	43,800	6 12
34	36,420	5 50	2	2,870	6 25
2	3,060	6 00	1 bull	1,750	3 75
4	5,330	4 00	12	17,580	5 50
34	39,800	6 10	18	20,860	5 65
17	22,370	6 50	2	3,320	7 50
5	5,670	6 00	7	9,290	7 20
1 bull	1,630	5 00	2	2,440	6 00
32	39,560	5 25	1	1,000	5 00
			5	4,830	4 25

WATSON & BRIGGS SOLD

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
10	8,940	$3 62	15	14,350	$4 65
18	17,170	4 30	52	61,130	5 60
14	14,920	4 30	15	19,190	6 00
25	23,000	4 00	17	19,020	5 62
73	104,770	6 65	31	43,240	6 25
6 cows ₱ head		20 00	44	60,050	6 25
17	24,760	6 25	4	4,370	4 00
14	17,500	6 00	17	16,570	4 00
16	21,040	6 35	34	43,440	6 15
3	3,550	4 00	30	40,660	6 85
64	85,860	6 62			

HEDGES, HUFF & CO. SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
16	14,490	$3 87	2	2,240	$3 00
4	4,560	3 60	1	1,070	3 50
28	39,980	6 50	18	21,660	6 50
3	4,880	3 60	18	20,490	5 35
17 ₱ head		36 00	18	19,500	4 87
5	5,030	5 00	1	1,000	3 50
4	4,100	3 75	1	808	3 00
50	63,640	6 50	18	20,810	6 00
58	65,260	5 40			

Hogs.

HEDGES, HUFF & CO. SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
78	11,590	$6 70	68	11,420	$6 85
24	6,010	7 40	23	5,720	6 70
16	1,560	6 30	41	13,190	6 70
45	7,350	6 70	23	6,700	7 00
114	23,770	6 80	17	4,000	7 00
123	23,740	6 85	80	15,340	6 85
84	11,720	6 85	68	14,130	6 85
37	9,460	6 50	38	9,380	7 30
52	11,530	6 75	81	20,000	6 70
16	16,650	6 85	16	3,980	7 15
20	4,640	6 80	53	17,010	7 30
43	12,160	7 30	23	6,340	7 15
12	3,180	6 30	16	3,400	6 85
63	10,080	6 65	22	5,560	6 70
45	19,640	7 25	73	14,710	6 40
45	10,740	6 70	13	1,170	7 00
38	11,090	7 30	33	7,840	7 00
10	2,880	6 80	63	17,300	7 15
185	21,790	5 40	16	3,580	6 60
29	6,210	6 60	37	6,370	6 50
96	14,690	6 60	235	51,170	6 70
121	24,680	6 80	23	3,630	6 50
60	15,190	6 75	59	11,310	6 75
81	14,290	6 60	89	8,840	5 35
68	14,320	6 60			

WATSON & BRIGGS SOLD

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
115	21,080	$6 75	40	9,430	$6 70
41	9,120	6 65	57	15,800	7 50
67	11,970	6 65	61	11,639	6 70
54	14,800	6 85	48	11,750	6 75
49	14,160	7 50	55	15,910	7 40
177	24,580	6 35	28	6,780	6 85
26	7,560	7 50	349	46,860	6 37
11	2,730	7 45	14	3,620	7 45
20	5,150	7 50	21	4,940	7 25
39	10,400	7 50	17	3,440	6 60
296	21,580	6 00	19	3,540	6 70
166	32,740	6 80	49	11,960	6 70
35	8,030	6 65	35	8,910	6 80
10	2,150	7 00	119	25,000	6 85
25	5,530	6 85	26	7,260	7 55
14	3,720	6 80	47	11,470	6 80
256	54,020	6 80	62	13,840	6 80
62	16,110	7 50	97	25,590	7 05
33	11,380	7 60	55	16,240	7 50
44	10,590	6 80	40	7,750	6 60
116	24,410	7 00	38	12,970	7 60
554	46,170	6 25	33	9,550	7 30
45	12,400	7 30	97	27,660	7 35
39	11,320	6 70	63	10,360	6 90
37	10,980	7 50	56	13,570	6 80
36	10,030	7 25	55	11,980	6 80
35	7,870	6 70	58	15,010	7 35
11	2,900	7 25	55	13,030	6 80
52	12,400	6 75	40	12,110	7 30
65	20,870	7 25			

HOLMES, LAFFERTY & GLASS SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
56	12,130	$6 80	2	980	$5 75
3	1,380	5 75	173	32,630	6 60
2	770	5 00	6	1,570	7 25
154	19,150	6 60	25	6,800	7 10
1	300	6 50	4	580	5 00
88	20,930	7 00	3	1,200	5 00
57	14,140	6 95	2	445	5 50
1	600	4 34	11	3,110	7 50
55	9,450	6 70	61	12,710	6 80
3	280	7 00	156	21,660	6 75
139	25,720	6 85	44	11,210	7 65
1	220	5 50	46	13,320	7 37
65	16,570	7 10	332	45,260	6 60
32	10,880	7 50	30	7,400	6 80
19	5,050	6 75	2	210	6 00
58	14,000	6 90	91	23,790	6 90
22	5,690	6 80	34	9,930	7 35
27	7,670	7 30	162	23,340	6 60
4	1,120	7 35	64	16,800	7 25
4	850	5 50	102	23,720	6 85
1	430	5 00	1	235	5 50
114	22,850	6 70	136	23,330	6 70
1	268	5 50	3	720	7 30
2	500	5 37	4	1,770	6 00
2	600	5 75	40	8,830	6 70
51	13,870	6 80	46	9,850	6 75
2	375	5 50	1	200	5 00
1	280	5 50	109	23,320	6 70
39	8,950	6 75	27	5,550	6 65
61	12,380	6 70	1	380	5 00
46	13,560	7 25	120	27,620	6 80

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
46	10,150	6 85	46	15,640	7 35
40	7,780	6 65	58	12,560	6 65
51	16,490	7 30	46	13,820	7 15
18	4,790	7 10	18	5,050	7 10
35	7,550	6 60	1	580	5 00
1	200	5 00	12	2,870	7 20

Hogs.

SADLER, HAVENS & CO. SOLD.

No.	Wt.	Price.	No.	Wt.	Price.
16	3,380	$6 75	12	3,020	$6 80
56	13,150	7 12	66	14,760	6 80
52	9,640	6 80	19	3,830	7 25
49	12,140	6 80	48	12,480	6 80
87	26,440	7 50	125	35,070	7 50
148	34,140	6 80	116	33,320	7 50
115	28,260	7 00	63	14,830	6 80
29	7,230	7 25	80	15,680	6 80
51	13,570	6 70	62	14,940	6 75
133	21,230	6 75	278	44,240	6 80
138	20,840	6 60	181	22,080	6 40
152	20,380	6 40	65	12,610	6 60
67	11,580	6 60	88	21,130	6 75
59	17,520	7 25	40	12,180	7 25
5	1,316	6 65	56	12,960	6 65
33	9,350	6 75	102	25,070	6 75
180	49,410	7 30	116	24,070	6 70
77	24,350	7 30	20	4,690	6 80
222	55,170	6 75	77	16,430	6 60
93	23,050	6 95	25	7,620	7 00
25	4,560	6 60			

H. G. IMHOFF & CO. BOUGHT.

No.	Wt.	Price.	No.	Wt.	Price.
86	24,250	$7 60	16	4,720	$7 60
15	4,100	7 60	110	31,010	7 50
73	19,470	7 55	50	12,990	7 45
4	1,250	7 40	20	4,920	7 00
25	6,800	7 10	18	5,080	7 30
125	35,070	7 50	87	26,440	7 50
17	1,330	6 00	15	1,740	6 60
46	13,320	7 37	17	5,540	7 00
32	10,880	7 50	181	49,410	7 30
81	23,190	7 30	98	27,510	7 30
74	23,780	7 40	97	24,910	7 00
46	13,820	7 15	36	9,840	7 10
82	24,720	7 25			

Sheep.

H. ERISMAN BOUGHT.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
80	9,300	$6 00	150	19,890	$6 50
212	16,580	4 45	208	15,650	4 45
419	15,250	6 75	16	1,940	4 00
62	5,910	4 85	166	19,200	6 25
279	33,680	6 25	185	16,840	4 45
264	32,970	6 25	193	15,576	4 45
125	16,260	6 25	168	13,990	4 75
22	1,910	4 50	25	2,240	5 00
192	16,130	4 25	50	3,820	4 50
161	12,630	4 20	374	32,990	5 00
169	750	6 25	179	17,710	4 40
362	34,140	6 00	323	33,910	5 50
331	33,700	5 75	190	17,820	5 00
200	15,800	4 50	177	13,210	4 55
361	28,880	4 90	6 per head.		3 00

SADLER, HAVEN & CO. SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
100	7,490	$4 25	80	7,460	$4 60
64	₱ h'd	2 30	92	8,170	5 25
114	8,620	4 62	76	6,800	5 50
150	12,960	4 62	106	7,730	3 25
32	2,240	3 35	20	1,680	5 12
30	2,830	5 30	179	15,060	5 50
185	16,280	5 30	221	16,820	4 60
98	8,800	5 50			

HOLMES, LAFFERTY & GLASS SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
192	15,130	$4 15	161	12,630	$4 20
171	15,860	5 20	110	8,610	4 90
98	8,700	5 40	152	17,100	6 30
4 per head.		4 00	358	28,870	4 50
8	760	5 50	72 per head		2 25

WATSON & BRIGGS SOLD.

No.	Weight.	Price.	No.	Weight.	Price.
163	15,860	$5 00	179	16,220	$4 60
50	4,510	4 12	279	3,360	6 25
186	15,840	4 45	170	14,980	4 50
81 on foot.		2 12	200	15,800	4 25
104	6,710	4 75	57	5,320	5 35
62	5,040	5 00	109	8,130	5 25
105	7,210	4 00	101	7,940	4 50
269	22,910	5 25	14 on foot.		2 00
122	14,900	4 87			

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, THURSDAY, December 24, 1874.

There is no change in the market for crude or refined petroleum, except that the weak feeling in crude heretofore noted, seems to have passed away and at latest advices yesterday that market was firm at 70c for United at wells. Refined continues firm at former prices.

CRUDE.

We quote United at wells at 67½@70c; with a firm feeling: Union do 65c; Relief at river 90c; immediate shipment do 90@91½c. Transactions were active, sales aggregating 29,000 bbls being reported from Parker's.

REFINED.

The market is steady and unchanged. We quote at 9¼@9½c for standard white on the cars.

New York—Refined is quoted at 11½@11¾c for spot and December.

Philadelphia—Spot refined is quoted at 11¼c, with nothing doing in futures.

Baltimore—Refined is quoted at 11¼@11½c for prompt delivery.

OIL BARRELS

are quiet at $1 30@1 35 for city-made; $1 20@1 25 for country do.

TITUSVILLE, December 23.—The *Courier* says: The market was quiet, although there was considerable business transacted in a moderate way. The quotations show little change, and at the close the feeling was quiet but moderately firm. Sales:

1,500 bbls, upper road, spot	90 c
1,300 bbls, upper road, spot	90 c
1,500 bbls, upper road, spot	87 c
300 bbls, lower road, spot	90 c
1,000 bbls, Oil City, spot	92½c
1,000 bbls, Oil City, spot	91¼c
6,000 bbls, Parkers, United, at wells	67½c
5,000 bbls, Parkers, United, at wells	68¾c
3,000 bbls, Parkers, Union, at wells	65 c
2,000 bbls, Parkers, Karns Pipe Pd	90 c
3,000 bbls, Parkers, Relief Pipe Pd	90 c
7,000 bbls, Parkers, United, immediate	90 c
3,000 bbls, Parkers, United, immediate	91½c

NEW YORK, December 23, closing 22.—Refined is in moderate request and held firmly, with shipping business, however, limited on account of scarcity of freight room: quoted at 11¾@11⅞c; cases are quotable at 16¼c for shipment; crude in bulk is held at 5¾c; city naphtha lower and quoted at 10c; for Philadelphia delivery, there is a quiet and firm market, with refined quoted at 11¾@11⅞c.

TITUSVILLE, December 23.—Market quiet, and quoted at 90@92½c.

OIL CITY, December 23.—Market unchanged and nominally 87¼@90c.

TIDIOUTE, December 23.—Market firm at 60c bid at wells.

ROUSEVILLE, December 23.—Market steady at 85c.

PETROLEUM CENTER, December 23.—Market quiet and firm at 80c.

PARKERS, December 23.—Market quiet: United 70c; immediate shipment 90c.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23.—Market firm: S. W. 11¼c; crude 8¼c in bbls; 5c in bulk; cases 16¼c; sales nothing doing; futures the same.

Crude Oil Received by A. V. R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
McKelvey	Vesta O W	1,409
Petrolite Ref Co	Petrolite O W	797
Robinson	A B Mills	74
Robinson	Lockhart & F	314
Total		2,594

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, December 23, 1874.

FLOUR—Dull but unchanged.

GRAIN—Wheat steady with a moderate demand; No. 1 spring 92¼c; No. 2, 90c cash, 90¼c seller January, 91½c seller February, No. 3, 84½c @85c; rejected 78@79c. Corn—demand fair and market firm; old No. 2, mixed, 79¼c cash or seller December; new 66c cash or seller January, 66¾@67c seller February. Oats dull; No. 2, 53¾@53¼c cash, 53c seller January; rejected 47c. Rye nominal. Barley steady with a moderate demand; No. 2, $1 24@1 29 cash, $1 24¾ seller January; No. 3, $1 14@1 17.

PROVISIONS—Dressed hogs dull at $8 00@8 60. Pork unsettled, closing weak at $18 75@1 85 cash, $19 15@19 20 seller February. Lard dull and nominal at 13c cash, 13¼c seller February. Bulkmeats steady with a moderate demand and unchanged.

WHISKY—steady with a moderate demand at 97c.

LATEST—On Call Board this afternoon, wheat closed lower at 89¼@90¼c. Corn easier; new 65¾c seller January. Oats dull at 52½c seller January. Pork dull and prices lower at $19 10 seller February, $19 40 March. Lard steady at 13¼c seller February.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Cotton quiet at 14¼@14⅝c; futures closed firm; sales 30,000 bales. Flour steady; receipts 4,000 bbls; superfine Western and State $4 00@4 50; common to good $4 75@4 95; good to choice $5 00@5 60; white wheat extra $5 60@6 15; extra Ohio $4 75@6 40; St. Louis $5 00@8 00. Rye flour quiet. Cornmeal $4 20@4 75. Wheat quiet; receipts 3,000 bushels; No. 1 spring $1 19@1 25; No. 3 do $1 09@1 11; amber $1 28@1 31. Rye quiet at 93@96c. Barley steady; Canada West $1 60. Malt quiet. Corn—old firm; new heavy and lower; receipts 44,000 bushels; mixed Western, old, in store, 93@94c; do afloat 95¼@96c. Oats quiet and firm; receipts 8,000 bushels; mixed Western 68@69¼c; white 69@71¼c. Hay and hops quiet. Sugar quiet at 7¾@9¾c. Coffee firm at 17⅜@19¼c. Molasses quiet at 63@65c. Rice quiet. Petroleum dull; crude 5¾c; refined 11½c. Eggs firm at 28¼@30c. Pork lower; old mess $19 50. Beef quiet. Cut meats firm at 11¼c. Middles dull at 10¼@10⅜c. Lard firmer at 13@13 3-16c. Butter steady at 19@35c. Cheese quiet at 12¼@15¾c. Whisky unsettled at $1 02½@1 03.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Business continues light, with manufacturers' agents and jobbing and importing branches inactive. Heavy standard sheetings and cotton flannels in steady demand at unchanged prices. Dark fancy prints quiet except at jobbing prices, but chintzes and side-bands fairly active. Shilling prints in improved request. Worsted coatings fairly active, but other woolen goods sluggish in first hands.

The dry goods failure reported this afternoon is Rice, Goodwin & Walker. The firm intended to go out of business at the close of the year, but went to protest yesterday. They now ask an extension.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, December 23.—Cotton steady at 13¼c. Flour and barley unchanged. Wheat dull at $1 08@1 10. Corn dull at 61@71c. Oats steady at 58@62c. Rye dull and nominal at $1 10. Oils unchanged. Eggs, butter and cheese unchanged. Pork—demand active and prices advanced; regular $18 75; sales heavy at $20 12½, delivered. Lard—demand fair and market firm; steam 13c; kettle 14c. Bulk-meats—demand active and prices advanced; sales short clear, boxed, at 10¼c. Bacon dull and nominal. Greenmeats dull and prices nominal. Whisky steady with a moderate demand at 97c.

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23.—Flour quiet; Wisconsin and Minnesota family $5 25@6 00. Wheat dull; red $1 20@1 22; amber $1 25@1 26. Rye steady at $1 00. Corn dull; yellow 80@83c; mixed Western 84@86c. Oats neglected; white 66@67c; mixed 63¼c. Pork unchanged. Lard quoted at 13¾@14¼c. Petroleum steady; refined 11⅜@11½c; crude unchanged. Cloverseed fairly active at 8@9¼c. Whiskey firm and unchanged. Butter steady; prime Western 34@35c; choice rolls 30@32c. Cheese quiet and unchanged. Eggs quiet; Western 29c.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, December 23.—Cotton steady and unchanged. Flour steady; superfine $4 20@4 35. Wheat dull at 90c@$1 07. Corn dull; new 67@69¼c. Oats easier at 56¼@58¼c. Barley firm at $1 15@1 35. Rye dull at $1 03. Whisky steady at 98c. Pork held firmly at $19 50. Dry salt meats nominally 6⅞@9@9¾@10 93¼c. Bacon—only order trade. Lard nominal at 13c. Hogs active; Yorkers $5 75@6 25; packers $6 25@7 00. Cattle—good local demand; good through Texans 1¾@3¼c; good to choice native steers 4@6¼c.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

BUFFALO, December 23.—Cattle—Receipts 782; total for the week 4,862. Market dragged at yesterday's prices.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts 600; total for the week 8,600. Market moderately active for Western sheep at $4 00@6 25.

Hogs—Receipts 3,000; total for the week 14,600. No sales, buyers holding off until after Christmas.

Oswego Market.

OSWEGO, December 23.—Wheat steady: No. 1 Milwaukee club $1 22; extra white Michigan $1 40. Corn steady; high mixed 92c. Barley quiet and unchanged.

Memphis Market.

MEMPHIS, December 23.—Cotton steady at 13¼c. Flour firm and unchanged. Corn active at 86c. Oats quiet at 72c. Provisions quiet and unchanged.

Indianapolis Market.

INDIANAPOLIS, December 23.—Flour, wheat and corn quiet and unchanged. Oats 50@58c. Rye $1 00. Barley $1 20@1 25.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, December 23.—Flour, wheat and corn quiet and unchanged. Oats dull and lower at 54¾@56¼c.

New York Finance and Trade.

Gold Closed at 111½.

NEW YORK, December 23, 1874.

MONEY

in good demand at 3½@4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6@7 per cent.

STERLING

firm and unchanged.

GOLD

dull but firm at 111¼@111½; borrowing rates 1, 2, 3, and 4 per cent., and flat. Specie shipments $50,000; the engagements for to-morrow already reach $1,000,000. About $1,000,000 gold coin arrived to-day from San Francisco, which is regarded as a new and important movement. Clearings $28,000,000. Treasury disbursements $450,000. Customs receipts $191,000.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

strong.

U. S. coupons, 1881	120¾	5-20's, 1867	121
5-20's, 1862	113¼	5-20's, 1868	120¾
5-20's, 1864	115¼	10-40's	114½
5-20's, 1865	117⅛	New 5's	113½
5-20's, 1865, new	119⅝	Currency 6's	117⅝

STATE BONDS.

quiet and prices nominal.

Missouri 6's	97	Do old	36
Tennessee, old	78	N. Carolina, old	22
Do new	78	Do new	12½
Virginia, new	37		

THE STOCK MARKET.

Railroad bonds firm and slightly advanced in some cases. Stocks less active but a fair business was done, with Pacific Mail, Lake Shore, Northwest, Western Union, Union Pacific, and Wabash as the features. The market was generally weak and lower, the decline ranging from ¼ to ⅞ per cent. Pacific Mail was exceptionally strong in the early dealings and advanced from 36 to 37⅞. This was followed by a reaction to 36¾, and still later an advance to 37⅞. After midday the market rallied ⅛ to ¼ per cent. on the rise in Pacific Mail. During the last hour stocks were weak, and before the close showed a decline of ¼ to 1 per cent. The extreme decline was in Northwest common and Lake Shore. Pacific Mail reacted from 37⅞ to 37. In the final dealings the general market recovered a fraction from the lowest quotations of the day. "Sellers' option" in Western Union were as much a feature to-day as yesterday, being generally ¾ to 1 per cent. below the regular price.

The transactions aggregated 196,000 shares, of which 67,000 were Pacific Mail, 17,000 Western Union, 26,000 Northwest, 13,000 Erie, 34,000 Lake Shore, 9,000 Ohio and Mississippi, 90,000 Wabash, and 14,000 Union Pacific. The following were the closing quotations:

Canton	52	Do preferred	56½
W. U. Tel.	79¾	Toledo & Wabash	23½
Quicksilver	31	Do preferred	38
Adams Express	115½	Ft. Wayne	94
Wells-Fargo Ex	82½	Chicago & Alton	104
American Express	61½	Do preferred	108
U. S. Express	62½	Ohio and Miss	30½
Pacific Mail	37	Terre Haute	7
N. Y. Central	100⅞	Do preferred	20
Erie	26⅝	Cleve., Col. & Cin.	67
Do preferred	45	Burlington & Q	101¼
Harlem	127½	Lake Shore	80½
Do preferred	125	Illinois Central	98
Mich. Central	80¾	Union Pacific stock	35¼
Northwestern	45⅞	Central Pacific bds	95¼
Do preferred	60⅞	Union Pacific bds	92⅝
Rock Island	101⅛	Del. & Lack	109
N. J. Central	108	Panama	114
St. Paul	36⅞	Bankers' Bills	485½

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, December 23.—Domestic wool in steady demand, with supply of fleeces fast disappearing; firm feeling and fair prospect of higher prices at an early day; medium, X and XX Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces 53@56c; Michigan and Wisconsin 49@52c; common to good western fleeces 45@50c; combing and delaine fleeces scarce and wanted at 55@62½c; pulled wools in fair demand and prices unchanged; superfine and extra 37@53c.

New York Metal Market.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Manufactured copper steady; ingot lake firm at $23 12½@23 50. Pig iron—Scotch quiet at $35 00@50 00; American dull and nominal at $21 00@26 00. Russia sheet $14 00, gold. Nails unsettled; cut $3 40@3 50; clinch $5 25@6 25; horseshoe quiet and unchanged.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, December 23.—Flour steady with a moderate demand. Wheat quiet: No. 1 white Michigan $1 12; extra do $1 15¼; amber Michigan, seller January, $1 11; No. 1 red $1 12. Corn dull and lower: high-mixed, cash and seller January, 72c; seller May 77c; low-mixed 71c. Oats steady with a moderate demand: No. 2, 56c; Michigan 56½c; white 58½c.

Milwaukee Market.

MILWAUKEE, December 23.—Flour quiet and steady. Wheat steady: No. 1 Milwaukee 95½c; No. 2, 90c. Oats steady with a moderate demand; No. 2, in store, 51½c. Corn steady: No. 2 mixed 66c. Rye scarce and nominally higher; No. 1, 96c. Barley firm and higher; No. 2, cash and seller December, $1 30.

Louisville Market.

LOUISVILLE, December 23.—Cotton dull at 13¼c. Flour and wheat unchanged. Corn dull at 70c. Oats dull at 60@65c. Rye $1 10. Pork quiet at $20 00. Bacon—shoulders 9¼c; clear rib 12c. Sugar cured hams 14¼c. Bulk shoulders 6¾c; sides 9¼@10¼c. Lard 14¼@15¼c. Whisky 97c.

Cleveland Market.

CLEVELAND, December 23.—Wheat firm and unchanged. Corn quiet; ear on track 68@69c. Oats steady and unchanged. Petroleum strong; standard white 9c; Ohio State test 10c; small lots 1@2c higher.

Nashville Market.

NASHVILLE, December 23.—Cotton quiet at 11¾@12¼c. Flour quiet at $4 50@6 00. Wheat steady at $1 15. Corn steady at 85c. Oats steady at 72½c. Provisions quiet and unchanged. Whisky firm at $1 02.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM NEW YORK.

Rotterdam	December 24	Rotterdam.
Frisia	December 24	Hamburg.
Baltic	December 26	Liverpool.
City of London	December 26	Liverpool.
Victoria	December 26	Glasgow.
Periere	December 26	Havre
Java	December 30	Liverpool.
Thuringia	December 31	Hamburg.
FROM PHILADELPHIA.		
Illinois	December 24	Liverpool.
Nederland	December 28	Liverpool.
FROM BOSTON.		
Sarmatia	December 26	Liverpool.
FROM BALTIMORE.		
Leipzig	December 26	S'hampton.

RIVER TELEGRAMS.

OFFICE OF THE OBSERVER, UNITED STATES SIGNAL SERVICE, PITTSBURGH, PA., December 23, 1874.

The following is the daily report of the stage of water with changes in the twenty-four hours ending 3 P. M.:

STATIONS.	ABOVE L'W WR' Ft.	In.	CHANGE — OR + Ft.	In.	DIREC-T'N OF WIND.	STATE OF WEATHER
Cairo	7	8	+0	10	W.	Cloudy.
Cincinnati	15	0	+3	5	S. W.	Fair.
Keokuk	0	9	−0	0		Clear.
Davenport	2	7	+0	5	W.	Clear.
Leavenw'th	3	0	−0	0	N. W.	Clear.
Louisville	6	9	+0	4	S. W.	Fair.
Memphis	4	11		0	S. W.	Clear.
Nashville	16	6	+1	6	S.	Clear.
Pittsburgh	7	5	−1	4	S.	Fair.
Shreveport	10	5	−0	5	N. W.	Fair.
St. Louis	4	6	−0	1	N. W.	Clear.
Vicksburg	7	5	−0	10	S. W.	Fair.
Dubuque	6	0	+0	3	S. W.	Fair.

Greensboro.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

GREENSBORO, PA., December 23, 1874.

River 9 feet 4 inches and falling slowly. Weather clear.

Morgantown.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., December 23, 1874.

River falling slowly, with 5 feet 1 inch water in the channel. Weather clear; thermometer 38.

Brownsville.

BROWNSVILLE, PA., December 23, 1874.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

River falling, with 11 feet 11 inches. Weather clear; thermometer 40 at 6 P. M.

Wellsville, Ohio.

WELLSVILLE, O., December 23, 1874.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

River 8 feet and falling. Boats passed down—Sam Roberts, Coal Valley, Joe Walton, Panther, Whale, Eagle, Enterprise, Bengal Tiger, John Penny, Hornet No. 2, Boaz, Diamond, John Dippold, John Gilmore, Jim Brown, Jos. H. Bigley, J. S. McDonald, Ark, Charley McDonald, Coal City, Fox, and Jas. Jackson.

Steubenville.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

STEUBENVILLE, O., December 23, 1874.

River falling, with 9 feet 3 inches in the channel. Weather clear and pleasant. The Forest City departed for Wheeling. The Mollie Ebert passed up at 4 P. M.; Granite State at 7 P. M. The coal fleet passed down in the following order: Grand Lake, Lion, Geo. Lysle, Coal Valley, Samson No. 2, Tom Dodsworth, Joseph A. Stone, Tom Reese, Leopard, Dick Fulton No. 2, My Choice, Fred. Wilson No. 2, Baltic, James Blackmore, Samuel Miller, Samuel Clark, Jos. Walton, Ella, Panther, Whale, Eagle, Enterprise, Bengal Tiger, John Penny, Hornet No. 2, Diamond, John Dippold, Boaz, Jas. Gilmore, Jim Brown, Jos. H. Bigley, J. S. McDonald, Ark, Charley McDonald, Jas. Jackson. No accidents reported.

Bellaire, O.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

BELLAIRE, O, December 23, 2874.

The tugs Dick Fulton, My Choice, Baltic, Sam. Miller, Sam. Clark, James. A. Blackmore, Joseph Walton, Eagle, Ella, John Penny, Bengal Tiger, Diamond, Hornet No. 2, Boaz, John Gilmore and Jim Brown, and two that we could not see, passed down between two and five o'clock this afternoon. No accidents.

Wheeling.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WHEELING, W. VA., December 23, 1874.

River 10 feet and rising slowly. Departed—Mollie Ebert, for Pittsburgh, 1 A. M.; Carrie Brooks, for Zanesville; Express, for Parkersburg; Granite State, for Pittsburgh, 2 P. M.

For Additional Dispatches see Fourth page

GLASS MANUFACTURERS.

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RIVER NEWS.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Arrived.

Elector	Abrams	Geneva.
Chieftain	Bougher	Geneva.
Geneva	M. A. Cox	Geneva.
Granite State	Kerr	Portsmouth.
Mollie Ebbert	Batchelor	Cincinnati.

Departed.

E. Bennett	Donaldson	Geneva.
Geneva	M. A. Cox	Geneva.
Laura L. Davis	Davis	Nashville.

MONONGAHELA—7 feet 6 inches and falling.
OIL CITY AND PARKERS.—Allegheny rising.

Boats Departing this Day.

Brownsville and Geneva—8 A. M. and 4 P. M.
Cincinnati, Exchange, Shuman—4 P. M.

THE marks last evening indicated seven feet six inches, and falling. The Allegheny river was rising slowly at Oil City and Parkers. The weather was pleasant for the season.

THE steamers R. W. Skillinger and Juniata are en route for this city.

THE steamer Wild Duck, Captain C. F. Adams, arrived at St. Louis all right.

THE steamer Mollie Ebert, Captain F. G. Batchelor, will be found at the landing.

THE steamer Salt Valley, Captain Sanford, leaves Ironton this day for this city. She will return on Monday.

THE steamer B. D. Wood was the first towboat to arrive at New Orleans this season with a tow of coal.

THE fine passenger steamers on the slackwater leave daily at 8 A. M. and 4 P. M., from the company's wharf boat, foot of Grant street.

THE St. Louis *Globe* says: The Caroll-Baker Line have withdrawn from business until it will pay—therefore no boats are advertised to leave.

WHITE river has a fair packet stage; Arkansas has 2½ feet; Yazoo is reported to have 2½ feet, and Lower Washita 2 feet, with 3½ feet below Shreveport in Red river.

THE favorite packet Granite State, Captain Kerr, will be found at the landing. Hand down your freight to-day. She will leave on Friday positively, for Portsmouth and intermediate ports.

THE Shreveport *Times* says: Captain Ball, formerly of the Andrew Ackley, came up passenger on the Clifford. He is no longer on the river, but has made an engagement to engineer the oil mills at Cross Bayou.

THE Cannelton *Enquirer* says: J. C. Galey with his two boats loaded with apples, potatoes, cabbage, etc., passed down the river on his way South last Sunday, having his family on board, with John Kemp at the wheel.

THE people along Tennessee river are pleased to have the packets Nashville and Shannon plying in their trade. The latter carried out a big trip the other day, consisting of 60,000 feet lumber, 175 bales cotton, 1,500 bags peanuts and 209 tons iron.

THE Wheeling *Register* says: There is some talk of forming a company for the purpose of purchasing a fast boat to run between this city and New Matamoras, making one trip a day. The parties who are to compose the company say that they will be ready for business in the spring.

THE dyke at Alton is just completed and has been received by the Government authorities. The dyke was built to give a better channel along the shore at Alton, and already the good effects of the enterprise are apparent. The dyke in question is said to be the best construction on the river.

THE splendid passenger steamer Exchange, Captain Shuman, was unavoidably detained yesterday. She will positively take her departure this day for Cincinnati and way points. The clerks are Messrs. Harbison, Dales and Clark. Passengers will receive the best of attention.

THE Memphis *Avalanche* says: Captain Dave M. Dryden is coming down on the steamer Vint Shinkle as commander. He ran as master of the sidewheel Pontiac between St. Louis and Cincinnati as far back as 1850, and of late years has been engaged as pilot over the falls at Louisville.

THE Leavenworth (Ind.) *Democrat* says: General G. J. Paxton, of this place, has received a contract from a gentleman in Troy, Ind., for the building of fifteen barges. The building of a ferryboat for use between the shores here, is certainly worth the consideration of our business men. S. B. Crecelius, of Meade county, Ky., returned from down the river last Saturday night. He sold out his load at Memphis, Tenn. Gusta Davidson, 'Lige Hawn and Hal. Ellsworth, arrived home from their Southern flatboat cruise Monday morning last.

THE Cincinnati *Gazette* says: The transfer of the Carrie is recorded at the Custom House as follows: Jno. Charlton, of Ironton, sells one-third to Willis Bagby, of Portsmouth, and one-third to W. R. Strickett, of Vanceburg, Ky., for $3,000; and Jno. P. Coulter, of Ironton, sells one-third to W. R. Strickett for $1,500. The Susie Silver arrived during Sunday night, and reships 300 barrels molasses and forty hogsheads sugar on the R. W. Skillinger for Wheeling and Pittsburgh.

Robert Whitney, Superintendent of the Infirmary, and a well-known pilot, is lying very low with erysipelas.

THE JETTY SYSTEM OF IMPROVING RIVERS.—The plan of improving the navigation of rivers, particularly at their mouths, by compelling, through artificial means, large quantities of water to flow through narrow channels, is proving a great success in the Eastern world. This system has proven a success in every instance, when it has been properly applied. The depth of rivers has been thus permanently increased in some cases from five to fifteen feet. The system has been applied even to the Danube, one of the largest rivers in the world, with the most complete success, and now it is proposed to apply it to St. George's channel, which discharges four times as much water as the Danube. Russia is also preparing to apply it to the Volga, the Dwina and the Neva. And now it is proposed to apply the same system to the mouth of the Mississippi. The improvements now in progress at the Oakland harbor improvement are founded on the same principle, and can scarcely fail of meeting the most sanguine expectations of their projectors.—*Mining and Scientific Press.*

THE Cincinnati *Enquirer* says: Messrs. Thomas Cennan and W. J. O'Neal have recently patented a smoke consumer and fuel economizer, which they have placed on the Maysville packet Wildwood. The machine is yet imperfect, several improvements being contemplated, which will be made as soon as an opportunity to work will permit. The first week a saving in the fuel was obtained of fifteen per cent. Last week the result was even greater. The Wildwood usually burns from 1,900 to 2,000 bushels coal each week, never less than 1,900 bushels. During the past week she consumed but 1,525 bushels, which is a saving of 375 bushels for the three trips, or 125 bushels per trip. The principle of the machine is very simple, and easily understood by mechanics. A chamber is built in the bridge wall of the furnace, where pure air is admitted from each side of the furnace. It is then conveyed into the furnace through a series of perforations, or jets, into a chamber inside of the fire immediately after the carbon leaves the coal, thus forming a combustion. There is also a certain amount of air taken through a series of conical irons to the after end of the furnace, where it is jetted into the flame, after being heated to a high temperature. The machine is worthy of a visit and investigation by our steamboatmen.

THE New York *National Gazette* says: The Executive Committee of the National Board of Steam Navigation in session at Washington, and, in pursuance of instructions, will endeavor by every honest means to have the amended Steamboat law passed. We are charitable enough to think that some of the opposition evinced by members of Congress toward this law has arisen from the fact that, instead of being conversant with its importance and listening to the reasoning of bad and interested parties, they have been misled as to the character of the just demands made by the *entire* steamboat interest of the country. The steam vessel interest ask nothing that is not fair, just and honorable, keeping in view the necessity of guarding the best interests of their patrons, both as to life and property, and at no time have they pressed their claims but in the most respectful terms. For four years this body has faithfully urged its just claims. It has not urged them, however, through paid lobby lists, but in the persons of its delegates, who are men of marked intelligence, sterling integrity and above reproach as citizens and prominent business men. These men have, as a body, a bright patriotic record, and for years have been struggling manfully against oppression, induced by the powerful influence exerted by a ring of patent-right schemers, whose acts have now been laid bare, and whose nefarious business has, to a large extent, been broken up. We sincerely trust that before the adjournment of Congress, for the glad holidays, we shall be enabled to announce to our readers the final passage of the amended Steamboat law, as proposed by the Executive Committee of the National Board of Steam Navigation.

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial:

When I wrote the communication which appeared in Tuesday morning's paper, in reference to the bridge from the Point over the Allegheny river, and the crowded condition of the Monongahela wharf, I did not then know that the bridge was as great an obstruction as I have since learned it is. In that article I wrote: "Of course, the towboats could go under it by lowering their chimneys," &c., &c. This, I have since been informed, is not the fact, as only a few of the smallest and the harbor boats can pass under it. Even if it was of sufficient height to admit of the large ones passing it, their owners would not permit them to go, because a sudden rise in the river, like that of last Monday night, would effectually lock them up and cause them to lose the trip. Or if a rise was expected, the owners would have to get their boats below as soon as it would begin. Then if it did not rise high enough for them to proceed on their trip, it will be very readily seen that considerable expense had been incurred. If it had ever occurred to me that any company of business men would have gone on and erected such a serious obstruction to the *free entrance* of the Allegheny river, before they could be stopped by the proper authorities, and thereby incur the risk of being compelled to alter and modify it after its completion, at considerable additional expense, I would have made inquiries about it and given it a personal examination before I wrote that article. But I thought every business man knew the strong feeling which existed in this community against any further unnecessary obstruction of our rivers, and did not think any company could be formed for that purpose. But I apprehend that the time the managers of that company have altered the bridge, by placing a draw in it, which they will surely be compelled to do, they will find that their total disregard for public sentiment, on the bridge question, has caused them to pay too dear for the whistle. I think there are but few business or river men who will oppose the erection of bridges across any of our rivers, if they are constructed so that they will not interfere with the free navigation thereof. This can always be done by constructing them with a draw section, where the shores will not admit of their being built at a sufficient elevation. SPIRIT.

RECEIPTS OF MERCHANDISE.

Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad.

Lucy Furnace, 2 cars f clay, 1 do f brick; Kiel & R, 51 bgs meal; W B Lupton, 2 half brls cider, 1 keg wine, 1 bx lard; J Cleppner, 1 brl cider; W Flaccus & Son, 48 beet hides, 10 skins, 5 brls tallow; J Horne, 2 bdls flannel; J Old, bdl fenders; W P Townsend & Co, 21 kgs rivets, 8 cases do; H Gerwig & Sons, 2 bales twine; Frazier, M & Co, 115 bdls paper; Domestic S M Co, 1 s machine; Park Bros & Co, 1 car s steel; A L Murphy, 4 brls apples; P Duff & Son, 4 bxs butter, 3 brls d apples; J C Bidwell, 5 crates mdse; J White Jr & Son, 4 brls d peaches, 1 do eggs, 1 do squashes; Aiken, W & P, 9 do apples, 1 do butter; L F Weling, 1 do poultry; J Zweidinger, 1 piano bxd; Voigt & M, 1 brl poultry, 2 bxs do, 5 tubs butter; N Kratz, 1 brl eggs, 1 keg a butter; J Marsland, 5 sks rags; H Rea Jr, 6 half brls butter; J C Houck, 1 bx a butter; S M Hebron, 1 bx mdse; Zeigler & K, 100 brls flour; J C Cunningham, 2 cases mdse; Crystal Glass Co, 1 brl g ware; J Graff, 4 do eggs; W Graff, 5 do do; Schomaker & Co, 50 bbls flour, 31 bgs meal and feed; A Guckenheimer, 1 car heading; Lyle, Barchfield & McC, 20 bdls spokes; J M Peet, 1 car feed; D Gamble, 1 horse; Bowman & Williams, 1 car staves and heading; Watt, Lang & Co, 50 bbls flour; Porterfield & Co, 50 do; Lewis, O & P, 6 kegs bolts, 1 bx do; F W Jenkins & Bro, 280 bxs cheese; Hubbard, L & B, 1,280 bdls handles; J H Loh & Co, 51 sks buckwheat flour; Wm Anderson & Co, 1 car lumber; J Loughridge, 1 case chairs; Curry & Metzgar, 25 bxs soap; E H Myers & Co, 2,630 pcs bacon, 1 bx & 1 tre ribs; M Meek, 62 bales hay; F Schild, 189 bgs barley.

ELEVATOR.—McHenry & Hood, 1 car screenings; H Rea, Jr, 1 do oats; Spencer, McKay & Co, 1 do barley; Gilbert Turner, 2 do oats; J T Simmons, 1 do.

ALLEGHENY STATION—Gilmore & Co, 5 cars bulk wheat; H Morrison, 1 do lumber; J M Hemphill, 1 car e corn; Kiel & Ritchart, 1 do e corn; S M Cummings, 4 cars lumber; Lewis, Bailey, D & Co, 1 do f brick; J Baldwin, Hay & Co, 54 bbls oil; Isabella Furnace, 4 cars lime stone; Jno Huckenstein, 2 cars f clay; J Shitzel, 3 do stone; M W Chase, 2 do school furniture; Wm Roon, 25 bxs pitch; L Mangold & Co, 1 pkg mdse; Louis Steitz, 1 bx p matter; D C Hamilton, Drum & Son, 6 frames, c vases; D C Hamilton, 1 bx matter; Teas & Co, 3 bxs h ware, 6 l wringers; J Lockhart, 7 doz brooms; L Kolb, 21 bdls hides; Stacey Bros, 1 lot rags, 20 bgs oats; F Woelfel, 7 bdls hides; Wm Sedden, 5 dozen brooms; M Weil & Co, 9 bales hops, 1 bag beans; Wm Beitler, 23 bdls hides, 4 rolls leather; John Herbert, 40 bbls appls; Chas Brown, 10 pcs pipe; Young & Booth, 2 cars barley; Graham & F, 1 do shingles; J M Hemphill, 1 do e corn; J H Lotz, 2 do staves; Spang, C & Co, 1 do f clay; L Rothschilds, 1 do e corn; W League, 1 do heading; N Gardner, 14 bxs poultry, 1 tc do; Adams & K, 1 car e corn; F H Eggers, 1 bx p matter; J A Baltinger, 3 bbls bottoms; W Hughes, 1 bx p matter; W K West, 1 do do; M Grogan, 1 lot s jugs; A Y Ross & Bro, 1 bx p matter; J F Neeley, 1 do do; B Zinkmed, 5 bdls b bottoms, 2 pat lounges; S M Eaton, 4 brls poultry; S Meek, 4 do do; D Forney, 4 do do; C Zeigler, 2 do, 3 bxs do; T Sheets, 2 do do, 4 brls do; D McKinney, 1 keg lard; Henry Lenz, 9 pkgs poultry, 1 bbl eggs, 2 pkgs butter; J F Stacey, 16 bbls poultry, 4 bxs do; D J Forney, 5 bbls do, 1 bx do; M Minnick, 2 bbls apples, 1 kg eggs; S Ertzinger, 5 bbls poultry, 1 bx live turkeys; M V Stacey, 3 bbls poultry, 1 bx do; C Shaub, 1 car lones; Wadsworth, M & Co, 53 bbls oil; George McFerren, 160 sks flour, 25 bbls do; Wm Croft, 2 bxs poultry; A J Anthett, 1 bale mdse; M B Suydam, 36 bgs f seed; H M Wrigley, 40 bdls s boards; H T Price & Son, 6 shellers, 6 wheels; J W Jack, 25 bgs meal; Jos Lockhart, 1 kg p barley, 5 bbls e meal; Young & Booth, 2 cars barley; Penna Salt Mfg Co, 1 car hoop poles; Gilmore & Co, 1 car wheat; J L Wyland, 1 bx f fish; D W Huntsman & Co, 16 cane chairs; Geo Wettach & Son, 29 bdls hides; L H Smith & Co, 1 car broom corn and broom handles.

Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad.

Ed Alcott, 1 car lumber; W F Richardson, 1 do do; Marshall, Kennedy & Co, 160 bags wheat; P Duff & Sons, 172 do e corn; Marshall, Kennedy & Co, 580 sks wheat; Hussey, Wells & Co, 3,000 fire brick; G W Davis, 1 bx books; B L Fahnestock, 1 bx ware; C F Pierce & Co, 1 do fish; W H Clark, 3 bbls eggs; Wm Flaccus & Son, 10 bdls g hides, 1 do calf skins, 1 do sheep pelts; Head, C & Co, 3 bbls s corn; John Siebert, 10 do apples; Luebbe Bros, 5 bbls o meal; Lewis, O & P, 2 kegs nails, 1 bx do; R P Wallace, 5 bags rags; Fred Schild, 52 sks oats; J M Irwin, 5 bbls childs rockers; W H Lemon, 7 bdls rockers; F Eichenlaub, 13 do do; Mrs J C Hamilton, 1 trunk; Reese Owens & Co, 1 bx m; S S Marvin & Co, 100 bbls flour; McBane & Anger, 8 do apples; Voigt, M & Co, 2 bxs butter, 3 bbls d apples, 2 do d peaches; Ed Fox & Co, 2 bxs eggs, 2 bbls eggs, 2 do butter, 1 bag rags, 2 bdls b w flour, 13 bags do; J J Gillespie, 15 bbls flour; Voigt, M & Co, 4 firks butter, 1 bx eggs, 1 tub cheese, 1 keg butter; Ed Fox & Co, 1 bx eggs, 5 firks butter; Fleming, Agnew & Co, 1 bx h ware.

Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad.

J H Loh & Co, 10 bbls eggs, 3 tubs butter; Head, C & Co, 3 tubs butter, 1 sack shellbarks; Harrison Jenkins, 26 bdls sheepskins, 9 dry beef hides, 1 box furs; A Riddle, Son & Co, 10 tubs butter, 70 bbls eggs; H J McCracken, 1 box poultry; S Klinordlinger, 10 bbls whisky; A Glockner, 10 do do; L G Graff & Co, 1 car baled hay; W G Miller, 255 sks barley; R Dickey & Co, 18 bags peanuts; Riesock & Bro, 21 bdls poplar lumber; J H Parker, 3 hhds bulk shoulders, 15 bbls lard oil; B C & J H Sawyer, 10 bxs candles; M Heyl, 2 hhds tobacco; P Hamberger, 10 bbls whisky; G Graff, 2 cars ear corn; Bryce, W & Co, 1 car hay; W Flaccus & Son, 5 bbls sheep pelts, 2 beef hides; Frauenheim & V, 220 sks malt; Means, S & Co, 100 bbls flour; J K Brown & Son, 2 bbls oranges; J Rhodes, 1 do do; W Flaccus & Co, 12 do grease, 2 bdls sheep skins.

Allegheny Valley Railroad.

J H Morrison, 1 car staves; Dilworth Bros, 1 do wooden ware; B Schmidt & Co, 2 do lumber; J Graham, 1 do hay; Briggs & Kerr, 1 do do; Kloman & C Bros, 4 do limestone; Pgh Tar and Chemical Works, 50 bbls tar; J J Lawrence, 1 do coal; W J Baughman, 1 do lime; R M Owens, 1 bx butter; T D Owens, 1 do do; John Gaffney, 1 do do; Jno Daub, keg do; John Seibert, 2 firkins do, 1 bx poultry, 2 do butter, 1 do eggs; A D Kelly, 1 do butter, 1 bbl eggs; J C O'Donnell, 1 bx butter; Jas M Pike, 1 do do; H W Buffum, 7 do bottles; E B Phillips, 3 bbls apples; B A Elliott & Co, 10 bdls trees; W Hoffman, 3 calves; Reymer Bros, 1 keg pickles, 1 bx do; W G Miller, 9 sks sacks; Marshall, K & Co, 2 do do; Miller, Forse & Co, 2 empty kegs; W Flaccus & Son, 27 bdls hides; Schomaker & Co, 2 sks sks; Spencer McK & Co, 19 empt bbls; A H English, 2 bx books; S Hare & Son, 1 h power; J Lissey, 12 empt kegs; E Edmondson & Sons, 1 bdl b springs; G Hasley, 25 empt bxs; Arbuckles & Co, 7 do; Wightman & Co, 1 bx g ware; H P Smith, 1 stove; J Spears, 9 bks cabbage; A J Nellis & Co, 1 bdl h forks; J C Bidwell, 1 bx h ware; C W Robb, 1 bbl cider; J Seibert, 9 bkts apples; J Cupps, 5 do, 5 sks turnips, 6 sks corn; J Hoffman 2 calves; W Hoffman, 12 sks oats, 12 do corn, 1 do; Seibert & B, 2 rolls leather; J Leslie, 1 d hog; J Keil, 1 bx butter, 1 keggs 1 bx poultry; Wm Sheldon, 3 bx butter, 1 bbl eggs, 1 sks walnuts.

Receipts of Blooms, Pig Metal and Ore.

The following are the receipts of blooms, pig metal and ore for the past twenty-four hours:

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO RAILWAY, P. R. R. LESSEE.

	Cars.		Cars.
Nimick & Co, m i	3	Wm Mullins, s i	5
Caughey & H, m	9	G S Griscom, i m	1
J Moorhead, m	5	Graff, B & Co, m i	1
Brown & Co., m	1	Reese, Graff & W, m i	1
Lewis, O & P, m i	4		
Total			30

CLEVELAND & PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.

	Cars.		Cars.
Lucy Furnace, o	5	Cambria Iron Co, m	19
Reese, G & W, o	2	Isabella Furnace o	24
Total			50

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

	Cars.		Cars.
Lewis, O & P, m	4	H Lloyd & Son, b	1
A H Childs, m	1	Caughey & H, m	4
H Lloyd & Son, m	1	Anderson & W, s i	1
Total			13

Coal Received by A. V. R. R.

	Cars.		Cars.
N Y & C G C Co	1	Armstrong, D & Co.	21
Total			22

RIVER PACKETS.

BROWNSVILLE AND GENEVA.
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For all Points on the Monongahela River.
The 8 A. M. Packet from Pittsburgh will connect at Monongahela City with the 11:15 train from Pittsburgh, on Pittsburgh, Virginia and Charleston Railroad. The 5:00 A. M. Packet from Brownsville connect at Monongahela City with 8:30 A. M. train, reaching Pittsburgh at 10:40 A. M.
STEAMER GENEVA..........CAPT. M. A. COX
STEAMER ELECTOR..........CAPT. R. R. ABRAMS
STEAMER CHIEFTAIN..........CAPT. J. L. HENDRICKS
STEAMER E. BENNETT..........CAPT. P. DONALDSON
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No freight will be received after 5 o'clock.
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For Marietta and Zanesville.
EVERY TUESDAY—3 P. M.
THE FINE LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMER
CARRIE BROOKS,
HARVEY DARLINGTON..........Captain.
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For Freight or Passage apply on Board, or to
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IRONTON.
For Parkersburg, Gallipolis and Ironton
EVERY MONDAY—4 P. M.
Leaves Ironton Every Thursday—10 A. M.
THE FINE PASSENGER STEAMER
SALT VALLEY,
T. S. SANFORD..........Captain
E. F. MADDY..........Clerk
Will leave as announced above.
For Freight or Passage apply on Board, or to
FAIRMAN & HENDERSON,
Corner Wood and Water streets, or
J. D. COLLINGWOOD, Agents.

PORTSMOUTH AND CINCINNATI.
For Wheeling, Marietta, Parkersburg, Ironton, Portsmouth and Cincinnati.
EVERY FRIDAY—3 P. M.
THE FINE PASSENGER STEAMER
GRANITE STATE,
W. H. KERR..........Commander.
— KERR..........Clerk.
Will leave as announced above.
For Freight or Passage apply on Board, or to
FLACK & COLLINGWOOD, Agents.

LOUISVILLE.
For Cincinnati and Louisville.
SATURDAY, December 26—4 P. M.
THE ELEGANT PASSENGER STEAMER
MESSENGER,
J. M. VANDEGRIFT..........Captain.
JOHN C. FISHER..........Clerk.
Will receive Lower Ohio, Nashville, Memphis and New Orleans Freight to reship.
For Freight apply on Board or to
FAIRMAN & HENDERSON,
FLACK & COLLINGWOOD, or
GEO. H. GHRIEST, Agents.

For Cincinnati and Louisville.
THIS DAY, December 24—4 P. M.
THE FINE STEAMER
EXCHANGE,
S. SHUMAN..........Commander
WM. HARBISON..........Clerk
Will leave as announced above.
Giving through receipts to Evansville, Nashville, Cairo, St. Louis, Memphis, Vicksburg and New Orleans.
For Freight or Passage apply on Board or to
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CITY MATTERS.

Local Observations.

OFFICE OF THE OBSERVER, U. S. SIG. SERV., Room 23, First National Bank, PITTSBURGH, PA., December 23, 1874.

Time.	Bar.	Th'r.	Hum	Wind Dir.	Wind Force.	Weath.
7 A. M.	30.08	36	62	W.	Fresh.	Cloudy
2 P. M.	29.96	40	64	S. W.	Fresh.	Fair.
9 P. M.	29.88	35	80	.	Calm.	Cloudy

Mean barometer...29.95 Highest thermom....41
Mean thermom.... 36 Lowest thermom.....34

The Death of Willie Floyd.

We regret to be called upon to note the death of Willie Floyd, son of William Floyd, Esq, of the American Bank. Deceased was a most promising lad, but sixteen years of age, and was carried off by typhoid fever. Many friends will mourn his untimely demise, while his surviving parents will have the sympathy of a very large circle of friends and acquaintances.

Christmas at St. Peter's.

The congregation of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, corner of Grant and Diamond streets, have decorated their church in a most elaborate and tasteful manner for the Christmas services. This evening the annual "Children's Service" will be held. Carols and anthems will be sung by the choirs. There will be the distribution of gifts from a Christmas tree, and the public catechising of the children by the rector. The services will commence at half-past six P. M. On Christmas day there will be service at half-past ten A. M., with administration of the Holy Communion, and an appropriate sermon by the rector.

Christmas Dinners.

Mr. Jenkins' bill of fare, which will be found in our advertising columns this morning, comprises all the luxuries and delicacies that the veriest epicure can desire to appear on his table to-morrow. Many of our readers well know Mr. Jenkins as one of our most enterprising merchants, but even these will be surprised to note the multifarious dishes which he offers, especially for Christmas dinners. The finest goods in the line are always offered at the lowest prices at No. 20 Fifth avenue, and the preparations that have been made for Christmas will, we have no doubt, be fully appreciated by a discriminating public.

Fires Last Night.

About eight o'clock last evening an alarm of fire was given from Oakland, caused by the burning of a frame dwelling on Squirrel Hill, in the Twenty-third ward. The building was owned and occupied by Mr. John Rosenburg. The children had taken a lamp or candle into a small room of the building for the purpose of procuring some nuts, and it is believed that they accidently set fire to some clothing. The building was totally destroyed.

About half-past nine o'clock fire was discovered in the second story of No. 26 Fifth avenue, partly occupied by Messrs. A. W. Erwin & Co., dry goods dealers. The joists of the second floor caught fire from a grate in the front room, occupied by A. J. Stopf, jeweler. The firemen broke into the rooms and put out the flames with but slight damage.

Trinity Church Choir.

It may not be generally known to the music-loving public that there are unusual attractions at Trinity Church, Sixth avenue, on Christmas morning, in the way of music. The choir numbers about twenty-five well-trained voices, headed by a primi quartet, of some of the finest voices in the city. The chanting is done antiphonally, the choir being divided into two parts. For this special Christmas festival, quite an elaborate programme has been prepared, in which the solo voices have prominent parts to sustain—a fine Te Deum, Jubilate, Anthem, and other selections making it quite an object, for those who appreciate such compositions, to hear. The quartet consists of Miss Annie Colville, soprano; Miss H. Hughes, contralto; Mr. Louis Brecht, tenor, and Mr. Paul Boehme, basso. Service begins at 10½ o'clock A. M., precisely.

In Memory of Mayor Callow.

The resolutions passed by Sheridan Post No. 88, G. A. R., upon the death of the late honored Mayor of Allegheny city, which have been engrossed in the most elaborate style of the penman's art by W. W. McClelland, Principal of the Allegheny Commercial School, will be on exhibition in the window of Geo. Crawford & Co.'s jewelry store on Fifth avenue, during the day, and will be presented to Mrs. Callow by the Post this evening. The work has been most artistically performed, and the Post is highly delighted with Mr. McClelland's production. At the head of the sheet is a spread eagle bearing in its beak the badge of the G. A. R., under which in large letters of the Fifteenth Century are the words, "In Memoriam," followed by the preamble and resolutions neatly engrossed. Last of all come the words "Sheridan Post 88, G. A. R.," in letters of the Sixteenth Century. Engrossing resolutions is Mr. McClelland's great specialty, and in it he most certainly excels, as a glance at the production referred to, will amply demonstrate.

Bold Daylight Robbery.

An audacious robbery was committed Tuesday noon at the paper store of Godfrey & Clark, on Liberty street. At that hour a stranger entered the store and asked for straw paper. Mr. Clark, who was the only person there, the clerks having gone to dinner, went to the rear of the store to show his stock to the supposed customer. After an examination of the paper, the man looked at his watch, and remarking that he was in a hurry and would call again, departed. Soon after he had left Mr. Clark noticed that the door of the safe was open, and upon examination it was found that the following bills, notes, etc., were taken, amounting in all to something over twenty-two hundred dollars: Check on Wood, Morrell & Co., $211 15; voucher P. C. & St. L. R. R. Co., $12 36; note of Howlett & Bros., $620 81; note, M. Moore, $869 25; note, A. McGregor & Son, $478 95; bills and scrip to the amount of $46 45. Only a few moments before the robbery, Mr. Clark had taken five thousand dollars in bills to the bank, and deposited it. It is the old story: one rascal occupied the attention of the proprietor while another committed the robbery.

Allegheny Finances.

From the report of the Controller to the Finance Committee of Allegheny Councils the following figures are obtained:

The condition of the various appropriations December 22d, 1874 was as follows: Original appropriations, $354,418 65; transfers, $183,888 72; expenditures, $504,507 98; deficiency, $5,676 32.

The receipts from all sources of revenue, including the sale of $75,000 of water and $30,000 of city property bonds, were estimated at $434,152 94; actual receipts, $360,491 53; deficiency, $71,661 41. The amount of unpaid taxes up to December 1, 1874, is $135,137 31.

The Finance Committee decided to report an ordinance to Councils authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow $50,000 for city expenses.

During the year bonds were redeemed and canceled as follows: Park bonds, first issue, $20,000; four per cent., railroad compromise, $18,000; Manchester six per cents, $9,500; total, $47,500. The following bonds were sold during the year: Water bonds, seven percent., $4,000; water bonds six per cent. gold, $75,000; city property, six per cent. gold, $30,000; Troy Hill bonds, $29,000; sewer bonds, $96,000; total, $234,000. The amount realized by the sale has been $235,660 19 or $1,160 19 above par value.

The interest on the current daily balance of the city funds, exclusive of the month of December, foots up $3,980 50.

The following statement shows the indebtedness of the city on January 1, 1875: Bonded indebtedness, $1,388,000; Water bonds, 7 per cent., $4,000; Water Bonds, 6 per cent., $75,000; City property, $30,000; Troy Hill improvement, $29,000; Sewer bonds, $96,000; total, $1,622,000; amount redeemed and cancelled, $47,500; actual indebtedness, $1,574,500.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

Pittsburgh Opera House.

"The Virginian" will be repeated this evening. Mr. Aiken is entitled to a better support from the public than he is getting, and we hope to see his audiences increase before the close of the week. The play is a pleasant one and furnishes material for more entertainment than one sometimes gets at a theater.

Library Hall.

Duprez & Benedict's Minstrels, which are much praised by the press wherever they have performed of late, will begin a brief season at Library Hall this evening. There are several very fine comedians in the company, with Lew Benedict at their head; the corps of vocalists is pronounced excellent, and as the management have the will and the ability to get-up something new, all who attend can depend upon being well entertained. Seats can be had at Hale's, 103 Smithfield street.

Seats for "Bohemian Girl."

The sale of seats for the Gounod Club's operatic performance, on Monday evening next, will begin at Kleber & Bro.'s, Wood street, this morning.

Academy of Music.

"The Dumb Boy of Manchester" was played at the Academy of Music, last evening, in excellent style, by Mlle. Marietta Ravel and Mr. Beamer's dramatic company. The play affords ample opportunity for the display of Mlle. Ravel's abilities, and that she made the most of it was evidenced by the hearty applause bestowed. "The Two Vagabonds," the afterpiece, was also finely played.

This evening "Dumb Boy of Manchester" will be presented. Special attractions have been in active operations for to-morrow—Christmas—afternoon and evening, and all who go can count confidently on being well entertained by Mlle. Ravel and the company. All had better make sure of seats by securing them in advance, as the house will be crowded.

Masonic Hall.

The best audience of the week was present last evening, at Masonic Hall, where Mac Evoy's beautiful pictures of Ireland are on exhibition. The most noted scenes in the Emerald Isle are represented, and the actors and actresses in Mr. MacEvoy's company play a very neat little Irish company in addition, in which there are characteristic songs and dances. The paintings may be seen to-night, and at a matinee to-morrow. The Hibernicon will remain this week only.

Fifth Avenue Theater.

The drama of "Jack Harkaway," with Mr. Hernandes Foster in the leading *role*, is attracting pretty good audiences at the Fifth Avenue Theater. The play runs smoothly and satisfactorily. It will be repeated every evening, and at matinees on Christmas and Saturday.

Trimble's Varieties Theater.

"Humpty Dumpty" will be repeated to-night. The variety performers are all set down for new acts in the olio, so that a most pleasing entertainment is assured to the patrons.

Concert at Pennsylvania Female College.

The first musical entertainment was given on Tuesday evening before a well-filled house, in spite of unfavorable weather. The programme embraced an attractive variety of instrumental and vocal selections from standard composers, besides several choruses, in which the entire school took part. The audience expressed their approbation of the performances in the most generous manner, in several cases demanding encores. Each member gave evidence of intelligent and careful practice. The choruses were received with unanimous approbation, which was fully merited. They were rendered with rare precision and spirit, and were sung entirely from memory—a fact which contributed much to the general good effect. Mrs. Hershey, the musical directress, may justly feel proud of the results of her work, not only in this particular department, but as well in the indications her instrumental and vocal soloists exhibited, of artistic training. The playing of Prof. Lippert was received with warm bursts of applause, which in one case were only subdued by the prospect of a second piece. The execution of his selections was marked by fulness of tone in the sostenuto, and great clearness and brilliancy in the bravura passages.

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THE OATMAN MURDER

Conclusion of the Inquest—The Testimony—Nothing Positive Developed—The Verdict.

Coroner McCallin, yesterday, at noon, resumed the investigation into the circumstances attending the murder of John A. Oatman, Superintendent of the Duquesne Coal Works, who was shot on Wednesday morning, the 16th inst., near the mouth of one of the pits, while on a visit of inspection. The jury reassembled at the tipple, where a number of witnesses were examined. The testimony was mainly (we might say wholly) of a negative character, and little, if any, new light was thrown on the mysterious murder. As previously stated, however, there is a possible clue, but it is not sufficient to base an information upon. The jury, therefore, found that the deceased came to his death from gunshot wounds inflicted by some person to them unknown. Following is

THE TESTIMONY.

Mrs. Mary McClelland, sworn—Live near the coal works, where the shooting occurred; was washing on that morning; Mr. Oatman came to the door with a notice, and my daughter took it; went to get my spectacles to read the notice, when I heard a shot; Mr. Oatman had then gone; my daughter said some one was blasting logs; then heard screams, and went out and saw Mr. Oatman cut of the pit; I hallooed over to him if he was hurt, and he said, "Yes, I'm shot." There were no men about; only heard but one shot; I shouted over to Ford's folks, who were burning logs, and they came to his assistance; saw no one go into the pit that morning; knew of no one having any grudge against Mr. Oatman.

Mrs. Jane Garretty, sworn—My husband was discharged from the works two years ago, and I am reduced to a state of poverty. Heard screams that morning, and asked Mrs. McClelland what was the matter; she replied that Oatman was shot; I know of no one who would do such a thing; saw no one enter the pit that morning; saw no one with a gun, and saw no one cutting lead into little pieces; don't go about much; never heard any one speak an ill word about Mr. Oatman; we found out it was not Mr. Oatman's fault that my husband was discharged; don't know of any one being secreted about the pit.

Mrs. Elizabeth Tobin, sworn—Don't know anything about the shooting of Mr. Oatman; never heard any threats made against him; have heard repeated shots at night, but never saw any one with a gun.

William Mackin, sworn—Was in my own house, near the mouth of the pit, when the shooting occurred, and did not see Mr. Oatman that morning until he was lying in the house; do not know of a meeting of miners held the night before the shooting; I do not think Mr. Oatman did right about the strike, but I never heard any one say anything particularly against him, more than the ordinary talk among workmen.

Jacob Beaver, sworn—Live near the mines; did not hear the shot, but heard the shouting; saw Oatman just after he came out of the pit; he walked about twenty-five yards and then sat down; saw no one about the pit; know nothing about a meeting of miners the night before; heard no threats made; there are two ways of getting into the pit beside the mouth; the only gun about, that I know of, is owned by Bill Ford; it is a single barrelled shot gun.

Patrick Karney, sworn—Was at breakfast when I heard the shot; went out to see about it; have not been out of any house after night since the troubles began; have seen many of the miners with guns, shooting rabbits, etc.

Patrick Kelly, sworn—Live about one hundred yards from where the shooting occurred; did not know Mr. Oatman was shot until I ran out; helped to dress one of his wounds; there was a meeting at the check-house when the strike commenced; a delegation went down to see on what terms they could go to work, but the company refused to give them the articles; the delegation was Mackin and McCallister; the men were not pleased about it.

OATMAN AND DALY.

James Daly, sworn—Live near the pit; knew nothing of the shooting until told about it an hour afterwards. Went to see him; he reached out his hand to me; I shook his hand, and he said: "Jimmy, will you forgive me?" I said: "Yes, John: you have used me hard, but I forgive you from my heart." He had discharged me over two years ago, and would not let me work. Campbell first told me that Oatman was shot; never heard of a meeting at Wilkinsburg, the night before; don't know of any secret society; Oatman discharged me because he blamed me for instigating strikes and speaking in the pits.

James Kennedy, sworn—I never had anything of this on my hands, and I don't know who has; was in my house when Oatman was shot; went to his assistance, opened his coat and tried to staunch the wound; I was at the meeting at the check-house; the delegates said Oatman wanted to make niggers of them. The opinion of the men was that Oatman had had them discharged; McCallister was one of the delegates from the check-house meeting; he had gone away a week before the shooting; he might have been back and I not know it; he lives near the fourth pit.

THE MEN IN DISGUISE.

Mr. Butler, sworn—Was four or five hundred yards off when Oatman was shot; knew nothing about the shooting: had heard about a party of some twenty-five men going down into the pit masked, and with guns; this was some time since—somewhere about the time the Germans were shot; do not remember who told me about the occurrence; it was in everybody's mouth; have no idea as to who shot Oatman.

Michael Murphy, sworn—This witness was going to cut wood when he heard that Oatman was shot; knew nothing as to who did the shooting.

John Carley, sworn—Heard of the shooting at my store in Wilkinsburg; by request I took the priest up to see Mr. Oatman; on the way I met Mr. Dumegan and Jimmy Duffy; when I got back Dumegan was at my house, and stayed there until noon; he had no special business with me that morning; there was a meeting in the woods, perhaps two weeks before the shooting; I furnish the neighborhood with breadstuffs, and was going along the road with a barrel of flour when I saw a number of men together; they said they were "log-rolling."

James Kane, sworn—This witness knew nothing about the shooting of Oatman; had heard about the masked men entering the pit some weeks ago, when the two men were shot.

Michael Kennedy and James Boyle were next examined, but their testimony threw no light on the murder.

"I DID NOT DO IT."

John Burns, sworn—Know nothing about the shooting; saw Mr. Oatman after he was shot; when I went into the house, Mrs. Oatman asked if I could hold up my hand and say I did not do it. I said I could, and I took him by the hand and said: "I'm sad to see you here and to think you could lay the deed to me." Oatman discharged me about a year ago. I was "black-listed." I was at Wilkinsburg, with a few others, before Mr. Oatman died. The entrance to one of the pits stands opposite my door within a stone's throw. By it, the pit where the shooting was done could be reached. I saw Dumegan that morning, near Murphy's house, after the shooting; told Dumegan about it, but he did not go down to see Oatman. [The witness was closely questioned as to other matters, but he disclosed nothing important.]

Con. Rogers was next sworn, but nothing material was elicited.

"HE DESERVED IT."

George Keil, sworn—Am ticket agent at Wilkinsburg station; on Friday or Saturday evening, while engaged in making up my report, there were four men in the waiting room talking about Oatman's death; one of them said "he deserved it," and none of the others dissented; I could possibly identify one of the men; [Burns was asked to stand up] that is not one of the men; I would know him if I were to see him. [Burns who had been detained since his examination, was then permitted to depart.]

THE VERDICT.

A number of other witnesses had been summoned, but they were not called, the jury deeming it unnecessary. A verdict was then rendered that Oatman came to his death at the hands of some person unknown.

Handbills announcing a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer have been posted up around the mines, and the detectives are doing all they can to discover the assassin.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

United States District Court—Judge McCandless.

In the matter of Andrew Jackson, bankrupt, of Allegheny county, on petition presented, a rule was granted on the said bankrupt, to show cause why he should not deliver to the assignee a certain black horse. Rule was made returnable before N. W. Shafer, Esq., on the 29th inst., and the bankrupt is enjoined from disposing of said property until the said rule is determined.

In the matter of Butler, Browne & Clapp vs Isaac Dichalisky, bankrupt, of St. Petersburg, Butler county. On motion of Francis E. Burrows, Esq., solicitor for petitioning creditors, it is ordered that the said debtor file forthwith a list of all his creditors, with their places of residences, and the amount due each, and the creditors have ten days in which to join in such matter.

In the case of Joseph Eisely vs. Daniel Duckenmiller, on petition for injunction and on motion for solicitor for petitioner, with proof of service of notice, was presented, and order granted for a hearing upon the same on the 35th day of February, 1875, and in the meantime restraining John Bower and John Renn from performing the act sought to be enjoined.

In the matter of George Ober, bankrupt, of Allegheny county, on petition of debtor presented, and on motion of his solicitor, S. C. Schoyer, Esq., the day on which he was ordered to appear for adjudication is fixed for the 2d proximo, before Register Shafer.

District Court—Full Bench.

The case of McKinney's assignee vs. Wood *et al.*, has been adjourned until Monday by Judge White, when defendants will open their case. The other two Judges are attending to the argument list.

Common Pleas—Judges Sterrett and Stowe.

In the case of Christian Geib vs. C. C. Smith, the jury found for plaintiff for $2,047 90.

In the case of Philipina Heidenreich, administratrix, vs. the Friendship Building and Loan Association, garnishee of Frederick Heidenreich, judgment of non-suit was entered.

In the case of T. D. Casey, administrator of the estate of E. F. Devlin vs. Adam Weigand, the jury found for defendant.

In the case of S. and W. H. Martin vs. James Owens, defendant confessed judgment for $81 28.

In a second case between the same parties, Owens, the defendant, confessed judgment for $81 20.

The jury found for plaintiffs for $1,171 39 in the case of Roedelheim, Bing & Co. vs. Wm. Fecke.

In the case of Phillips & Mittenzwey vs. Elizabeth Harbison, judgment of *non suit* was entered.

W. S. Jackson confessed judgment for thirty-seven dollars and costs in the case of Robert Barnett, Sr., vs. W. S. Jackson and wife.

In the case of Jas. I. Kuhn vs. David Byers, the jury found for plaintiff for $289 67.

The jury in the case of John Vickroth vs. E. L. Cleveland, found a verdict for plaintiff for $18 90.

No jury trials until the first Monday of January.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Collier.

Louisa Ridout *alias* Ellen Williams, indicted for larceny, on oath of Jane Brown, was acquitted.

A *nolle pros.* was allowed in the case of Philip Wiseman, indicted for aggravated assault and battery, on oath of Mathias Rutt.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Robert Richmond and M. L. Gibson, indicted for larceny, the jury returned a verdict of guilty as to Richmond, and not guilty as to Gibson.

The indictment against Joseph Bennett and wife, for larceny as bailee, was quashed on an informality, the signature of the prosecutor not having been attached.

The jury is out in the case of the Commonwealth vs. G. Williams, indicted for assault and battery, on oath of Wm. Gabby.

The case of the Commonwealth vs. James Mooney, charged with embezzlement, is on trial. Defendant was in the employ of Riley & Sergeant, news agents, and it is alleged that he embezzled $300 of the firm's money. The defense hold that no intent was ever had to embezzle, but that the money was used in the legitimate pursuit of his business as an employee.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

Commonwealth vs. Thomas Bell; John Davis; David Gannon *et al.* (2); George D. Knowlton; Patrick Cownell; James Jackson *et al.*; John Walker; Joseph Hickman; Charles Kellenburger *et al.*; John Madden; Edward Griffin; Anton Kirsch; Daniel Smith *et al.*; Wm. Lang; Alex. Cobb; George Miller; Charles W. Ayers; Thomas E. Sill (3); Evan Jones; Thomas Malne.

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THE CITY HALL AUDITORS.

Another Session Yesterday—Examination of Contractors—Judge Mellon and Alex. King Want to Know About Profits.

The Auditing Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the City Hall Commission, met again yesterday morning. Judge Veech was absent. Thomas Steel, Esq., late Secretary of the Commission, attended, as did also Judge Mellon and Mr. Alex. King, the last two being anxious to learn how the contractors came out with the work.

Mr. John Mackin, of the firm of Mackin & Alexander, who had two contracts for stone work, one for the foundations and the other for the superstructure, was sworn and examined. Judge Mellon at once asked the witness as to the profits of the contracts, and was answered that, although the question was an improper one and nobody's business but the contractors, witness could not give the amount.

Mr. Mackin emphatically stated that no money and no "inducement" had been given to secure the contracts. Witness was sure the profits were not half as much as the Judge was able to make on speculations.

Judge Mellon—We have got the wrong witness, evidently.

Mr. Steel—Possibly, for *your* purpose.

Judge Mellon—Mr. Mackin, how many bonds did you get?

Mr. Mackin—We got $60,000 worth.

Judge Mellon—Are you a stonemason?

Mr. Mackin—I am not a mason, but am a baker. I have been in the contracting business for twenty-five years. I have lived in Pittsburgh forty years, and I defy any one to put a black mark against my character.

Relative to the bonds, Mr. Mackin testified that he made a private arrangement for their sale, and was well satisfied with it. The Commission had nothing to do in the transaction. When the testimony was concluded, the witness said to Mr. Alexander King: "I'd like to have an opportunity to question you as to your profits in certain matters."

D. B. Morris, contractor for the plastering work, was next called, and testified as follows: My warrants for the work were usually paid by the City Treasurer; sometimes not; I paid discounts to the People's Savings bank amounting to $170; I paid Mr. Schultz $450 for hoisting.

'Squire Steel—Were any advantages allowed you on this contract?

Mr. Morris—No, sir; I thought you were pretty close; I never gave a cent to get the contract; I made a very close bid, after full measurement, which took two weeks.

Mr. J. L. L. Knox contractor was recalled and examined. Some of his testimony was but a repetition of that given at the previous meeting of the Board. He said Altvater was in pretty good condition, financially, but would not say he could do the best work. He could however hire as good men as Mackin.

Mr. Fred. Altvater was called to the stand, and testified that he had been in business since 1860, and could have done the work if he had received the contract; went to Mr. Joseph Walton, who said he could get me the contract for $1,000, and would lend him the money if he (witness) did not have it at the time; he replied he wouldn't give a darned cent.

Architect Kerr here presented a statement showing the relative cost of public buildings in the country, showing that the Municipal Hall was far below any of them.

Mr. King—Mr. Kerr, why didn't you give the stone contract to Mr. Knox?

Mr. Kerr—I have already answered the question, and I won't answer it again. I don't know whether Col. Phillips was interested in having the Catfish stone selected, so that it could be brought over his road. I never took the trouble to inquire.

Judge Mellon said he desired to have a statement of the monthly balances in the treasury from the time the City Hall taxes were first collected until the building was completed. He therefore desired that City Treasurer Magee be sent for. The request was complied with, but as the City Treasurer was absent, Mr. Phelps, the City Assessor, responded and testified that the books of Treasurer Allinder were in the Controller's office.

'Squire Steel stated that Mr. Magee, City Treasurer, had prepared a statement showing the monthly balances during his own term and that of Mr. Cochran, but had not made them out for Mr. Allinder's term.

Judge Mellon and King intimated that they wanted the statement to include that term, and were assured their wishes would be gratified.

The Board then adjourned until next Monday morning.

A CRUEL SWINDLE.

Three Confidence Men Take a Widow's Last Penny.

One of the meanest swindles that has ever come to our knowledge was perpetrated Tuesday. Mrs. Annie Clemens, a widow residing in the East End, being the victim. It seems the husband of Mrs. Clemens, who died recently, was a member of the order of Odd Fellows. In the afternoon of the day mentioned two men called at her house, representing that they were members of the lodge to which her deceased husband belonged, and stated that they were authorized by the lodge to look after her interests and endeavor to save her property from a forced sale, and were anxious to know the exact condition of affairs. While she was still in conversation, a third man rapped at the door and inquired for some person residing in the neighborhood. He stated that he had just been shipping some goods, and wanted to pay the freight bill. He wanted to borrow the money, and would leave his two gold watches as security until next morning. The men did not have the $200, and suggested to Mrs. Clemens, if she had the amount, to lend it to the man, as he was all right, and that the watches were worth double the amount. She replied that she only had $160. That amount was handed over to the stranger, who, in turn, handed over the "gold" watches, which were safely locked in a tin box. The borrower departed, promising to return in the morning and reclaim them. The other two men remained for some time, and finally took their departure. Mrs. C. subsequently made the discovery that the watches were not worth three dollars. She visited the Mayor's office yesterday and related her misfortune, giving a description of the swindlers.

Brakeman Injured.

Last evening Louis Rabenstein, a brakeman on a freight train of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad, was severely injured. He was standing on the top of a freight car, and when the train was passing under the bridge at Washington street he neglected the usual precaution of sitting down, when he was knocked off the car. The injured man was taken to his home, on Chestnut street, Allegheny, where proper attention was bestowed. He was badly cut about the head, and sustained severe bruises on the body and legs.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

JACOBUS & NIMICK, of the Novelty works, are crowded with orders.

THE rolling mill proprietors have been purchasing large quantities of scrap iron since the puddling furnaces were laid off.

JOHN PRYLE was committed yesterday by Alderman Donley to await a hearing on a charge of larceny, made on oath of Fred. Worth.

THE Cathedral fair has been fairly inaugurated, and is now in successful progress. The attractions are superior to any ever presented, and the attendance has been large.

ALDERMAN O'DONNELL yesterday committed P. Carr, alias O'Brien, for a hearing next Tuesday on a charge of highway robbery. The information in this case was made by Patrick Dunlavy.

WILLIAM DAW, the man who is charged with felonious assault and battery in attacking Henry Young, the puddler, had a hearing before Deputy Mayor Mitchell yesterday, and was committed to jail for trial.

BARNY DUANE was yesterday committed to jail, by the Acting Mayor, to answer a charge of larceny. The accused is the person who was detected in the act of stealing a hat at Ramaley's, on Fifth avenue. Officer Clem. Kreuter made the information.

ROBISON, REA & CO. have put on an extra force of hands at their foundry for a more speedy completion of a blast furnace order that they have in hand. It is hoped that this may be not merely temporary.

ALL the Pittsburgh stove foundries stopped on Saturday last. This has been done partly to "take stock" and partly because orders are scarce. The time when they will start again will depend upon the state of trade.

THE Cathedral *Record*, published by Messrs. Smyth and Kelley has a large circulation among those who attend the fair in the basement of the Cathedral. It is a neat and readable little paper, and is appreciated on all hands.

JOSEPH MOORE commenced proceedings in ejectment in the Common Pleas, yesterday, against James Bennett, Wm. Flinn, Wm. Caldwell, Wm. Moore and James Moore, the property in dispute being lots 149 and 151 in Thos. Scott's plan, in the Eighth ward of this city.

A MAN named C. Daley, residing in Sharpsburg, fell over an embankment in the Eighth ward, Allegheny, on the line of the West Pennsylvania Railroad, yesterday afternoon, his head striking a stone. He was found some time afterward in an insensible condition, and removed to his home.

ANOTHER runaway in Allegheny yesterday. This time it was Mr. F. Deipp's horse and wagon. The animal started at some point on First street, and at Second alley the wagon struck a lamp post, knocking it down, and the post in its fall struck a man, also knocking him down, which ended the fun.

THE National Tube Works, at McKeesport, are running three of their welding furnaces day turn and the other two day and night. They have now employed about four hundred and fifty men, and expect to run all winter. The company will increase their facilities after the first of the New year.

ON Christmas morning, between eight and nine o'clock, Messrs. Case & McPherson, the well known contractors, will distribute to the poor 1,000 loaves of bread and 300 pounds of beef. The distribution will take place at the office of the firm at the corner of Fortieth street and Liberty avenue.

MR. W. W. BROOM will deliver a lecture in the Evangelical Mission Church, on Fulton street, on Sunday evening, December 27. Subject—"The Philosophy of Temperance." A collection will be taken up for the benefit of the church. Mr. Broom is highly recommended as a public speaker.

MR. JACOB FRIDAY, contractor for the stone work on the culvert of the Soho street improvement, met with a very serious accident Tuesday. He was working about a crane with which a heavy stone was being lifted, when the handle slipped from his hand and struck him across the face, mashing his nose and cutting deep gashes on each cheek.

TWO MEN, named James Culp and W. Moreland, were taken to the Central Station House last night. The officers who made the arrest stated that they were attracted by cries of "Watch" about ten o'clock last night, near the corner of Penn and Sixth; that the cries were uttered by Moreland, who stated that Culp struck him. At the station house Culp stated that the other man followed his sister several squares and insulted her. Both were locked up for a hearing.

THE following convicts from Armstrong county were received at the Penitentiary yesterday: Thomas and James Butler, convicted of assault with intent to rob, for the term of nine years and nine months each; David Hair, larceny, fifteen months; David Leonard, forgery, two years and three months; —— Breindhoover, larceny, two years and three months; Joshua Spencer, bigamy, fifteen months.

AN accident occurred Tuesday night on the Inclined Plane Railway. The rear truck of the ascending car, when about one hundred feet from the foot of the plane, jumped the track, causing much dismay among the passengers, who hastily left the car and walked down the ladders between the tracks to the waiting-room below. The car was replaced on the track, and trips were being made as usual after an hour's delay.

THE *American Manufacturer* says: Some days ago Mr. Harris, President of boilers' union, visited the iron works in Shenango and Mahoning valleys. Immediately thereafter the boilers in those works notified their employers that if they sold muck iron to the Pittsburgh mills they would strike likewise. Nevertheless, the Pittsburgh mills continue to move, just as the moon did when the little dog barked at it. We may add that the dog's chances of success were much better than the puddler's chances are this time.

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A CRUEL RUMOR.

Reported Murder in Oakland.

About half-past seven o'clock last evening, great excitement was created about City Hall and in police circles, by the report that the wife of W. C. Moreland, Esq., had been murdered by tramps who had entered the family residence, Bellefield, for the purpose of plunder. Police officers and friends of the family hastened to Mr. Moreland's residence, in the Fourteenth ward, but found the rumor was but a cruel hoax. The report, it appears, had been brought to the Oakland station house, and neighbors had hastened to the residence. The falsity of the rumor was soon made known, and those who started out from the city learned of it before reaching the house. The report had, however, reached Mrs. Beard, a sister of Mrs. Moreland, and she fainted. Mr. Moreland was on his way from the station to his home when he was shocked, as may be imagined, by hearing that such news was abroad. A neighbor, who had just visited the house, happened to meet the Major on his return. Other relatives and friends were deeply pained by the rumor, and much distress was caused by it.

THE contractors making the improvements on Forbes street are the recipients of numerous anathemas from residents at the west end of that thoroughfare, near Boyd street, whose windows are shattered by the blasting of rocks in that locality.

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We are just in receipt of an elegant and large variety of toilet articles and perfumery, suitable for Christmas presents, including perfume cases, cut glass cologne bottles (with any name on desired) ivory hair brushes, Gold and silver vinegarettes. Fine English Rogers ivory brushes in setts and many other articles of rare beauty and elegance will be found at McCLARREN & McKENNAN'S, 85 Market street 67 Fifth avenue and corner Smithfield and Fifth avenue.

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A Scientific Problem.
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New Books.
All the new books can be found at S. A. CLARKE & Co.'s, 115 Wood street.

Special Bargains in Pianos and Organs.
We have but three more of those superb parlor gem pianos (Bradford & Co. make) left, and desiring to close them out entirely to-day (Thursday) and Christmas morning, we have concluded to close these last three out at about cost; we will, therefore, make them at these extraordinary low figures: Style 3, extra, price $475, at $300; style 4, extra, price $500, at $280. These two are both 7⅓ oct. agraffe treble and are beautifully finished rosewood. Also, No. 5 extra, 7⅓ oct., all four round corners, back finished same as front, full agraffe all through the scale; most elegant instrument (the last of five of this same style received within a few days); price $600, at only $330. The last named instrument is a most beautiful piano, and in time will certainly rank with any piano that you can get elsewhere at $600. These are all undoubted baragains, such as have never been offered in Pittsburgh before; are all perfect in every particular and guaranteed for five years, just the same as if you gave full price for them. Remember the place is S. Hamilton & Co., 77 Fifth avenue, old number 51, over McCallum's carpet store.

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Greensboro, Pa.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

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River 9 feet 4 inches and falling slowly. Weather clear.

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River falling, with 11 feet 11 inches water in the channel. Weather clear; thermometer 40 at 5 P. M.

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OIL CITY, PA., December 23, 1874.

River 20 inches and falling slowly.

EVANSVILLE, December 23.—Weather clear till 2 P. M.; now cloudy and rainy; mercury 31 to 47; wind drawing to the west. River risen 1 foot, with 9 feet on the gauge. Port List: Down—Etna and barges, Grey Eagle. Up—Florence Lee, Liberty No. 2, J. D. Parker, Geo Roberts, Sandy, generally with good trips. Business fair.

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CINCINNATI, December 23.—River 15 feet 6 inches and rising to-night 2 inches per hour. Weather cloudy; light rain. Departed—Sherlock, New Orleans; Shippers' Own, Evansville.

MEMPHIS, December 23.—River stationary. Weather clear and pleasant. Arrived—Baum, Cincinnati. Departed—Indiana, New Orleans; Joe Kinney, Vicksburg; St. Genevieve, St. Louis.

NEW ORLEANS, December 23.—No arrivals. Departed—Mary Alice and barges, St. Louis; Gov. Allen, Memphis; John Howard, White river. Raining.

NASHVILLE, December 23.—River rising, with 14 feet 11 inches on the shoals. Weather clear and pleasant.

ST. LOUIS, December 23.—Arrived—Julia, Vicksburg; Kountz, New Orleans. Departed—Anderson, New Orleans; Swift, Hobbs and Nail City for ore pile. River about stationary, with the channel cutting out and improving, both above and below. Weather cloudy and mild.

VICKSBURG, December 23.—No boats up or down. Weather clear and cool. The river fell 1 inch.

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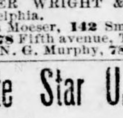

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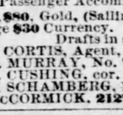

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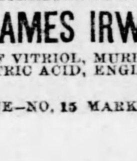

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TUESDAY MORNING, December 29th, at 10 o'clock, will be sold at McIlwaine's Auction Rooms, No. 106 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, for account whom it may concern, 640 tons Cold-Short Muck Bars, to be sold in lots of 50 and 100 tons each, as purchasers desire.
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On Monday, December 28, 1874,
AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.,
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RAILROADS.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD

On and after MONDAY, November 23d, 1874 Trains will leave from and arrive at the Union Depot, Pittsburgh, (Pittsburgh Time,) as follows:

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Hulton Ac.......	6:40 a m	Hulton Ac.......	6:30 a m
Buffalo Express	7:25 a m	Night Express.	7:00 a m
Kittanning Ac.	11:30 a m	Soda Works Ac	8:30 a m
Hulton Ac.......	2:00 p m	Kittanning Ac.	10:00 a m
Titusville Ex..	2:40 p m	Hulton Ac.......	1:30 p m
Kittanning Ac.	4:30 p m	Titusville Ex..	3:25 p m
Soda Works Ac.	5:55 p m	Kittanning Ac.	5:40 p m
Night Express..	8:25 p m	Pittsburgh Ex.	9:25 p m
Hulton Ac.......	11:00 p m	Hulton Ac.......	7:20 p m

Buffalo and Night Express Trains make direct connection for Buffalo.

Buffalo and Pittsburgh Express Daily—on Sundays to and from Oil City only. All other Trains Daily, except Sunday.

Church Train—Leaves Soda Works at 8:35 a m, arriving at Pittsburgh at 10:10 a m. Returning, leaves Pittsburgh at 12:50 p m, arriving at Soda Works at 2:23 p m, stopping at all Stations.

Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars on Night Express between Pittsburgh and Titusville.

Buffalo Express connects at Red Bank for Brookville, Driftwood, Williamsport, and points on P. and E. R. R.

Titusville Express North and Pittsburgh Express South connect at Red Bank with Train on Sligo Branch for Sligo and Clarion County.

Orders can be left with Excelsior Baggage Company, 78 Fifth avenue, for Baggage to be Checked from Hotels or Residences to destination.

Ticket Offices, No. 78 Fifth avenue and Union Depot.

J. J. LAWRENCE, General Superintendent.
THOS. M. KING, Assistant Superintendent.

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI AND ST. LOUIS RAILWAY, PAN HANDLE ROUTE.

On and after SUNDAY, December 27th, 1874, Trains will leave from and arrive at the Union Depot, Pittsburgh, as follows, Pittsburgh time:

DEPART.		ARRIVE.	
Fast Line.......	2:03 a m	McDonald's Ac	7:13 a m
Columbus Mail.	7:13 a m	Washington Ac	8:23 a m
Washington Ac	8:53 a m	Steubenville Ac	9:38 a m
Pacific Express	8:03 a m	Cincinnati Ex..	7:38 a m
McDonald's Ac.	12:14 a m	McDonald's Ac	5:43 p m
Pittsburgh Ex.	2:13 p m	Washington Ac	3:13 p m
Steubenville Ac	3:28 p m	Columbus Mail.	12:33 p m
Washington Ac	4:58 p m	Fast Line.......	7:28 p m
Mansfield Ac...	6:13 p m	Southern Ex....	2:33 a m
McDonald's Ac	10:58 p m	Mansfield Ac...	7:40 p m
Sunday Church Train..........	12:48 p m	Sunday Church Train..........	10:03 a m

Fast Line and Pittsburgh Express leave daily.
Fast Line and Cincinnati Express arrive daily.
All other trains will run daily, except Sundays.
Sleeping Cars, without change, to Cincinnati, Louisville, Indianapolis and St. Louis.

W. L. O'BRIEN, General Passenger and Ticket Agent.
S. M. FELTON, JR., General Superintendent.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD—

On and after SUNDAY, November 29th, 1874, trains will leave Union Depot, Pittsburgh, as follows:

CITY TIME.

MAIN LINE EASTWARD.

Pacific Express daily, except Monday, at 2:51 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg at 12:05 p. m., Philadelphia 4:15 p. m., New York 7:35 p. m.

Day Express daily, at 7:36 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg 3:45 p. m., Philadelphia 7:30 p. m., New York 10:30 p. m., Baltimore 7:30 p. m., Washington 9:10 p. m.

Mail Train daily, except Sunday, 8:11 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg 8:40 p. m.

Atlantic Express, daily, 12:51 p. m., arriving at Harrisburg 11:05 p m, Philadelphia 3:10 a m, New York 6:50 a m, Baltimore 3:25 a m, Washington 6:20 a m.

Philadelphia Express daily, except Sunday, 4:21 p m, arriving at Harrisburg 2:25 a m, Philadelphia 6:50 a m, New York 10:10 a m.

Fast line daily, at 7:51 p m, arriving at Harrisburg 4:13 a m, Philadelphia, 8:05 a m, New York 11:15 a m, Baltimore 7:45 a m, Washington 9:07 a m.

Wall's Accommodation, 6:51, 10:21, 11:46, a m, 2:41, 5:41, 6:11 and 11:11 p m. Sunday, 12:51 p m.

Brinton Accommodation, 6:06, a m, 5:01 and 9:21 p m. Sunday, 9:21 p m.

Wilkinsburg Accommodation...............7:16 p m
Johnstown Accommodation.................3:31 p m

MAIN LINE WESTWARD.

Trains arrive at Union Depot (city time) as follows:

Mail Train daily, except Monday............1:21 a m
Fast Line daily, except Monday.............1:41 a m
Pittsburgh Express daily, except Monday..6:56 a m
Cincinnati Express daily.......................7:41 a m
Pacific Express daily.............................1:41 p m
Way Passenger daily.............................8:21 p m

Wall's Accommodation 6:36, 9:01 a m, 1:21, 2:41, 5:46 and 7:51 p m. Sunday, 10:01 a m.

Brinton Accommodation, 7:31, and 8:21 a m, 7:11 and 11:11 p m. Sunday, 7:11 p m.

Wilkinsburg Accommodation...................9:21 p m
Johnstown Accommodation.....................9:41 a m

WEST PENNSYLVANIA DIVISION.

From Federal Street Depot, Allegheny City, City Time:

Mail Train, connecting for Butler...........6:36 a m
Express, connecting for Butler................2:11 p m
Freeport Accommodation, 9:16 a m, and 4:46 p m. On Sunday at 12:51 p m.
Springdale Accommodation, 11:21 a m, 6:11, 8:41 and 11:16 p m.
Market Train for Butler..........................3:21 p m

Trains arrive at Federal Street Depot (city time):

Express, connecting from Butler...........10:21 a m
Mail Train, connecting from Butler..........5:46 p m
Freeport Accommodation, 8:16 a m and 1:41 p m. On Sunday, 9:51 a m.
Springdale Accommodation, 6:51 a m, 3:43, 7:11 and 11:16 p m.
Market Train from Butler........................9:11 a m

The Excelsior Baggage Express Company will call for and check baggage from hotels and residences. Time cards and full information can be obtained at the ticket offices, No. 78 Fifth avenue and the Union Depot.

FRANK THOMSON, General Manager.
D. M. BOYD, JR., General Passenger Agent.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY, CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.

On and after NOVEMBER 15, 1874, Trains will leave from and arrive at the Union Depot, Pittsburgh, City Time, as follows:

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Fast Line........	2:13 a m	Atlantic Ex....	2:33 a m
Chicago Mail...	6:13 a m	Wheeling Ex...	10:53 a m
Clev & W Mail..	6:53 a m	Chicago Ex.....	12:28 p m
Erie and Ashtabula Ex.......	7:53 a m	Erie and Ashtabula Ex.......	2:43 p m
Chicago Ex.....	9:53 a m	Chicago Mail...	3:43 p m
Clev & Whg Ex.	1:53 p m	Cleveland Ex..	3:53 p m
Pacific Express.	2:13 p m	Chicago and St. Louis Ex.....	7:18 p m
Wellsville Ex...	4:28 p m	Cleve & W Ex..	7:33 p m
Erie & Wrn Ex.	4:38 p m	Erie and Ashtabula Ex.......	11:28 p m
Depart from Allegheny.		Arrive in Allegheny.	
Beaver Falls Ac.	8:38 a m	Leetsdale Ac...	6:53 a m
Leetsdale Ac....	10:28 a m	Leetsdale Ac...	7:43 a m
Leetsdale Ac....	12:08 p m	Beaver Falls Ac	8:13 a m
Sharpsville and Ashtabula Ac.	1:13 p m	Enon Ac........	8:48 a m
Enon Ac........	3:48 p m	Sharpsville and Warren Ac...	9:53 a m
Leetsdale Ac.......	5:13 p m	Leetsdale Ac...	12:53 p m
Beaver Falls Ac.	6:23 p m	Beaver Falls Ac	2:13 p m
Leetsdale Ac....	8:28 p m	Leetsdale Ac..	4:28 p m
Leetsdale Ac....	10:58 p m	Leetsdale Ac...	7:43 p m
Fair Oaks Sunday Church...	12:43 p m	Fair Oaks Sunday Church...	9:53 a m

Pacific Express Leaves Daily.
Chicago Express Arrives Daily.
Fast Line Leaves Daily, Mondays excepted.
Atlantic Express Arrives Daily, Mondays excepted.
All other Trains will Leave and Arrive Daily, Sundays excepted.

J. D. LAYNG, General Manager.
F. R. MYERS, General Passenger and Ticket Agent.

PITTSBURGH AND CONNELLSVILLE RAILROAD—PITTSBURGH, WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE "SHORT LINE."

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
IMPORTANT CHANGES.

On and after SUNDAY, November 29th, 1874, Trains on this Road will depart and arrive from Depot, corner Grant and Water streets, as follows Pittsburgh time:

DEPART.		ARRIVE.	
Uniontown Ac.	6:30 a m	McKeesport Ac	6:45 a m
Through Mail..	8:00 a m	McKeesport Ac	7:35 a m
Mixed Way....	9:25 a m	W. Newton Ac	8:25 a m
McKeesport Ac.	11:00 a m	Through Ex.....	8:50 a m
McKeesport Ac	3:15 p m	Uniontown Ac.	10:15 a m
Uniontown Ac.	3:45 p m	McKeesport Ac	12:00 m
McKeesport Ac	4:20 p m	McKeesport Ac	2:00 p m
W. Newton Ac	5:15 p m	McKeesport Ac	6:10 p m
McKeesport Ac	6:20 p m	Uniontown Ac.	5:40 p m
Through Ex....	8:00 p m	McKeesport Ac	7:35 p m
McKeesport Ac	11:15 p m	Through Mail..	8:50 p m
W. N'ton Ch T.	12:45 p m	W. N'ton Ch T.	10:05 p m

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